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WASHINGTON.

Civil Service — Correspondence Between Mayor Medill and The President— Suit Against Credit Mobilier.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The following letters embody the resignation of Hon. Joseph Medill of his position on the Civil Service Advisory Board, and the acceptance of the same by the President. The letter of the latter also contains an official indication of his purposes regarding the enforcement of civil service reform. People who have jumped to the conclusion that the application of the rules and spirit of the reform would positively cease will yet have time to reverse their judgment.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CHICAGO, April 1, 1873.

To His Excellency U. S. Grant, President of the United States:

DEAR SIR: An executive order was promulgated on the 19th of January, 1872, against the holding of State or municipal offices by Federal appointees after the 4th of March, 1873. Under this order it would be illegal for me to continue to hold the office of Commissioner of the Civil Service Board unless I resign the mayoralty of Chicago. Not feeling that it would be expedient to do the latter at present, I, therefore, tender my resignation of the appointment from you of Civil Service Commissioner, and I hereby tender my thanks for the confidence you reposed in me in making such appointment. I also trust that the rules prepared by the board, and accepted and adopted by you, will not be abandoned, ignored, or neglected of enforcement. believing as I do, that the application will tend to improve and elevate the civil service, and that they are followed by the great mass of the American people. Very respectfully yours,

JOSEPH MEDILL.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6, 1873.

DEAR SIR: Upon my return to Washington I find your letter of the 1st inst., resigning the position of Commissioner of the Civil Service Board, on account of your inability to hold that position, together with your responsible office of Mayor of Chicago. I appreciate your reason, while I regret that the board will lose your valuable services, and in accepting your resignation I beg to thank you for your earnest labors in the cause of civil service reform, and to assure you that the spirit of the rules adopted will be maintained. Very respectfully yours,

U. S. GRANT.

To Hon. JOSEPH MEDILL, Chicago, Ill.

THE UNION PACIFIC SUITS.

The preparations of the Department of Justice for the prosecution of the suit against the stockholders of the Union Pacific and Credit Mobilier corporations are progressing as fast as possible, under the direction of Messrs. Perry and Ashton, the special counsel employed in the case. The Attorney-General has associated with these gentlemen, as additional counsel, Hon. Thos. A. Jenckes, formerly member of Congress from Rhode Island. Upon the information now being obtained, a bill in equity will be prepared, by which the Government of the United States, as a creditor of the corporation, will seek first to compel the stockholders to pay into the treasury of the corporation the par value of the full paid stock, as is required by the charter, but which was issued for much less than its par value; and, secondly, to compel the stockholders of the Credit Mobilier to restore to the treasury of the company their illegal and inordinate profits, the receipt and appropriation of which has endangered the credit of the loan which the Government has made to the road. The jurisdiction in which the suit shall be brought, which is within the discretion of the Attorney-General, has not yet been selected.

NEW CONSULS.

The President and Secretary of State, yesterday, agreed upon the names of about twenty new consuls, and the persons designated have been notified to appear for examination. This is not competitive, and cannot be, in the nature of things. But it is very thorough and searching, and involves not only general qualifications, but a knowledge of international and mercantile law, and familiarity with customs regulations. Commissions will issue to those who successfully pass the examination.

MISSION TO JAPAN.

The stories in circulation connecting the name of ex-Senator Cole, of California, with a vigorous and acrimonious contest over the mission to Japan, are wholly without foundation. So far as that gentleman is concerned, he is not said has not been a candidate for any appointment whatever.

A PURE PATRIOT.

The name of Mark H. Dunnell, of Minnesota, deserves mention in connection with the salary steal. He gave two or three votes for the steal, but is now trying to get out of it. When the motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment had been defeated was before the House, and the motion to lay the motion to reconsider on the table had been made, he voted no. This was, in one sense, the crisis of the measure. Had the motion to reconsider been laid on the table, there could have been no extra salaries this year. He helped to defeat that motion, and then voted to reconsider, and helped bring the measure again where it could be acted on by the House. He lobbied vigorously for the increase, back pay, and all, besought his colleague to vote for the increase, and did not hesitate to say that he did want the back pay, and needed it very much. Then when the final vote was taken on agreeing to the conference report, he did not vote when his name was called, but having waited till everybody else had voted, and seeing that the increase was positively sure, he bravely marched forward and voted no, and is now declaring at home that he "voted against that infamous swindle." He has drawn his back pay, amounting to over $9,000, and has, no doubt, put it where he thinks "it will do the most good." It appears that a house-building operation of his at home, which has been progressing very slowly, or not at all, for some time, suddenly began to go vigorously forward, and the report is that he telegraphed the same afternoon the bill passed "to begin hauling sand." Hauling sand has become among his constituents a significant phrase.

REFUNDING TAX ON THE TARE OF COTTON.

A difficulty has arisen between the planters and certain Southern cotton factors, relative to the distribution of some $600,000, which sum has been paid by the Treasury Department as a refundment for the tax paid upon the tare of cotton. A law of the Forty-first Congress provides that the tax paid upon the tare shall be refunded The tare in each bale ranges from fifteen to twenty-five pounds. The planters claim that as they paid the tax upon the tare before the bales could be removed from the districts where the cotton was raised, they are entitled to an equitable proportion of the refundment; but the factors have the money, and refuse to acknowledge the equities of the planters.

LAND ORDERS.

The President to-day issued an order changing the boundaries of the Omaha and Grand Island land districts, in Nebraska, as recommended by the Secretary of the Interior, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Senator Hitchcock, and ex-Representative Taffe. The President also directed an order to be issued giving the right of way to the Flint and Pere Marquette Railroad through Township No. 18 north, range 16 west, in Michigan, formerly an Indian reservation. In the matter of the application of the Oregon and California Railroad Company, that an order be issued for the withdrawal of lands in aid of its construction from Roseburg to Buck Lake, Oregon, the Secretary of the Interior to-day decides that lands may be withdrawn for the benefit of the company from Roseburg to the Willamette meridian only in the line of the amended map filed with this application, provided the company shall make assurance that this shall be its definite line of location. This decision of Secretary Delano gives the company lands only to points from which the most direct connection can be made with the California Railroad at the State line. The application for the withdrawal of lands to Buck Lake was made with a view to the establishment of a circuitous connection around Klamath Lake. The Commissioner of the General Land Office to-day ordered a rehearing in the case of George E. Buckman against the Western Pacific Railroad Company for title to land in the San Francisco district which was inadvertently patented to the railroad company several years ago, before due notice had been given Buckman.

THE MISSION TO COLOMBIA.

William L. Scruggs, of Georgia, has been appointed Minister resident to the United States of Colombia.

LIFE-SAVING STATIONS.

Jas. H. Saville, Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, left last night for Savannah, for the purpose of inspecting the Atlantic coast northward to the Capes of the Chesapeake, with a view to the selection of the locations for the new life-saving stations. His trip is wholly with reference to this business, and is not connected with civil service reform. His colleague on the Treasury Board, Mr. E. O. Graves, is in charge of that business in the custom-houses and subtreasuries of the Southern coast.

THE ATLANTIC.

Arrival of New-York Wreckers at Halifax—Four More Bodies Recovered.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 10.—The New-York wreckers arrived at the scene of the wreck today. They got all their apparatus in order, and will commence work to-morrow morning. They will probably blow a hole in the ship. Three bodies of the steerage passengers were recovered to-day.

The body of Mr. Brinley was washed ashore at Lunenburg to-day, forty miles west of the wreck. There were life-preservers on the body.

Recovering Cargo from the Lost Steamer.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 10.—Two schooners arrived here this morning with a lot of goods saved from the wreck of the Atlantic. The steamer Lady Head, with the Collector of Customs on board, went down to the wreck to-day, but has not yet returned. A strong south-east wind and rain, with heavy sea, deterred the smaller steamers from going down. The weather is bad for the wreck.

Bodies of William and Mary Merritt at Poughkeepsie.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 10.—The bodies of William and Mary Merritt, victims of the Atlantic disaster, arrived here to-day. They were viewed by relatives and friends, and then placed in elegant caskets and put in a receiving vault to await the finding of the bodies of Mrs. Merritt and Miss Berrymer, then one funeral service will be held and all will be buried together.

LOUISIANA.

Another Twitch in the Fusion Corpse.

NEW-ORLEANS, April 10.—A conference of city members of the Fusion General Assembly and a committee of the presidents of the Independent Club of New-Orleans issued an address to the people, of which the following are extracts:

Public opinion throughout the Union is against the usurpation, and our only danger, if there be any, will come from ourselves. If the people of Louisiana will sanction, by obedience and acquiescence, this Government, they will give it the only validity it can ever acquire. It is only by our own submission that our cause can be defeated. We recommend the people of the several parishes, for the purpose of most effectual resistance to this usurpation, and of mutual aid and defence, to join the People's League of Louisiana by the formation of Parish councils in correspondence with the Central Council at New-Orleans. We must remember that there can be no de facto government as against a de jure government in the States, and that the only way by which the Kellogg usurpation can become established as a government is by acquiescence of the people; that the issue presented in the Louisiana case to Congress and the people of other States is neither a party nor a sectional one, and for this reason we have the support of a large and influential section of the Republican Party, as well as of the elements which composed the Liberal Party in the late Presidential election. The people of New-Orleans are not to pay taxes, can not, in fact, pay them, nor are they giving any recognition to the usurpers.

The Middletown Disaster—Verdict of the Jury.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

HARTFORD, April 10.—Work has been suspended on the ruins of Shepard's Block, Middletown, though many think the bodies have not all been found. The jury of inquest, whose foreman was Aug. Putnam, Collector of the Port, after a long sitting to-day, rendered a verdict censuring White & Rutherford, the contractors, and charging them with being guilty of gross negligence, and blaming Mr. Shepard, the owner, for allowing unsafe work to be done under his own superintendence. By the testimony it appears that the building was erected on leased ground, and was to revert to the owner of the land in twenty years, in consideration of the use thereof, thereby encouraging cheapness of construction. The lessee also was to pay seven per cent. on $20,000 valuation, besides taxes, assessments, &c.

A Railroad Train Down an Embankment.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 10.—As the mail-train on the St. Louis and Kansas City Northern Railroad was passing a point two miles east of Wellsville yesterday morning, running at a high rate of speed, it jumped the track, and the whole train, except the engine, tumbled down the embankment, the cars turning bottom up. Henry P. Darlington, of Philadelphia, was cut about the head, but is not dangerously hurt. W. A. Barrow, of Boston, had his leg broken, and several others, whose names are unknown, were more or less injured. The accident was caused by a loose rail.

The Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 10.—A large number of the stockholders of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad, among whom are such well-known citizens as W. S. G. Otis, T. D. Crocker, Fayette Brown, Judge Cadwell, and others, have determined to resist the proposed increase of stock and lease of the road to the Atlantic and Great Western Company. These stockholders claim that $6,000,000 new stock is wholly unsalled for, and that it is proposed only for fraudulent and corrupt purposes, and that the Atlantic and Great Western, with its $109,000,000 of bonds is hopelessly insolvent.

The Connecticut Election.

HARTFORD, Conn., April 10.—The official returns give more votes for the Prohibition ticket than were at first telegraphed, and these, with other slight changes, cut down Ingersoll's majority to 2,995. The full returns to the Secretary of State will very likely reduce this majority slightly.

Heating Railroad-Cars by Steam.

ALBANY, April 10.—A large delegation of members of the Legislature, at the invitation of Hon. E. Kirkhardt, visited Troy this afternoon to witness a new system of heating by steam. It is done by connecting the cars to the engine with a hose for a supply of steam, which is completely under control in each car, and can be regulated at once. It is claimed that by this system all danger of fire in case of accident are avoided, and that a uniform temperature can be secured. The delegates were unanimous in their approval of the system.

THE INDIANS.

The Recent Murders of Surveyors—Disposition of the Cheyennes and Arrapahoes.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Friend Enoch Hoag, of the Central Indian Superintendency, under date of Lawrence, Kansas, April 7, in a letter addressed to Col. H. R. Clum, Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and received to-day, gives full details of the situation among the Arrapahoes and Cheyennes, and incloses letters from sub-Agent Williams from the Arrapahoe camp, March 22, and Camp Supply, March 31, but which make no mention of any murders, though they contain information from all the leading men of both sides. Mr. Hoag says the whisky traders are doing a great deal of mischief, and adds: "The Indians are disturbed by the destruction of the buffalo by whites, south of the Arkansas, where their treaty of 1867 provides they may hunt so long as profitable. They are also disturbed and injured by outlaw whisky traders, and they are also dissatisfied by the appearance and stay of surveyors on their reservation, but deny any knowledge of any murders. Their excitement has been high, though now abating, in consequence of the death of two and wounding of three of their men in New-Mexico returning from the Utes. Yet we shall doubtless control them if the border citizens can be properly restrained. Our councils with them will probably allay the survey excitement after their return to the agency, to which they are now approaching."

Agent Williams gives the particulars of the attack on the Cheyennes on their return from New-Mexico, where they went to hunt Utes. He says: "They were attacked on their return, and the attack was made about forty miles from Fort Bascom, on the south bank of the Canadian River. The Indian party had been about two days' journey beyond that point, had gone into a large Mexican settlement, and told the settlers they were hunting Utes. The Mexicans told them there were no Utes in that part of the country, and advised them to return. They say they committed no depredations, except to kill one beef. They were cooking and eating a portion of the beef when the attack was made upon them. It was a complete surprise, and they now say they cannot tell who the attacking party was."

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs has called the attention of the Secretary of the Interior to the recent murder of surveyors, and requests the Secretary to obtain from the President an order for stationing two companies of troops in the vicinity of the public work west of the ninety-eighth meridian. The Secretary will make the desired official request.

Preparing to Fight in the Lava Beds.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—On Tuesday last, the Peace Commissioners sent Riddle's squaw to Capt. Jack to arrange the time and place for another talk. While the squaw was there some of Capt. Bernard's soldiers came and took four of Captain Jack's horses, which made him very angry. He abused the squaw roundly, and refused to talk to the Commissioners. Orders were given to return the horses. The Modocs are busily engaged in making rock fortifications. The troops are making every necessary preparation for a fight.

Indian War-Makers Busy—Alarming Stories from the Frontier.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 10.—The Lawrence (Kansas) *Journal* learns that the Kiowas, Cheyennes, and Arrapahoes, are preparing for war, and that the Government is reinforcing all the forts in Western Kansas and south of that section, and that extra troops have been ordered to the front. Two companies of cavalry have already arrived, and two more are on the road. There is every prospect of Indian troubles on the frontier this Spring.

The Leavenworth *Times* of a recent date says that all trustworthy accounts from the frontier represent the Arrapahoes and Cheyennes as making preparations for a campaign of determined fighting. The young men of the Cheyenne tribe scorn the peace policy, are restless, impatient, and eagerly anxious to go on the war-path. Old chiefs who have visited Washington, and who noted on the route the extent of the white population, have advised peace in the councils, but impulsive young warriors of the lodges will not listen to the song of the Quaker siren.

The Murdered Surveyors—Recovery of the Bodies.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 10.—The *Times* Arkansas City correspondent mentions the return of the rescue party sent out to protect and warn the surveyors on the Cimaron River. The party reached the spot where the four surveyors were murdered, and found their bodies horribly mutilated. Denning's remains were brought back to Arkansas City for interment. The remains of the other victims were buried where they were slain. The rescuing party encountered several bands of Cheyennes, all of whom made hostile demonstrations but did not venture an attack.

The Modocs and the Peace Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, April 10,—The Secretary of the Interior received to-day a letter from the Modoc Peace Commissioner, Meacham, in which Meacham says the principal impediment to peace negotiations is the fear that the Indians indicted by the Jackson County Grand Jury will be given up for punishment. The Peace Commissioners and military are, however, working together harmoniously to overcome the distrust of the Modocs. But difficulty is encountered from the intervention of bad white men, who, from mercenary motives, desire a prolongation of the war. Mr. Meacham says the desire of the Government is well understood by his colleagues and the military, and that no means will be left untried to secure peace. Secretary Delano had advised the military not to give up the indicted Indians, but rather to remove them if they surrender.

Apache Raids in Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—Apache raids in Mexican territory are unabated, and murders and robberies are of frequent occurrence. The Mexican Government has authorized a company to construct a telegraph line through the States of Sinaloa and Sonora.

Injunction Against Railroad Authorities.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 10.—The State authorities to-day sued out before Judge Watts a writ of injunction against A. S. Buford, President of the North Carolina Railroad, and all employes of said road, preventing a change of gauge of the said road from Greensboro to Charlotte, and the injunction was served. The gauge was to have been changed in a day or two, which would have enabled trains from the Danville Road to pass through to the South, and was to be done in the interest of the Pennsylvania Central.

Killing Frosts in Texas—Replanting Begun in Twenty-Three Counties.

GALVESTON, Texas, April 10.—Telegrams and private intelligence received from twenty-three counties report killing frosts. The crops and fruit are all killed. Replanting has been commenced. These counties embrace a large portion of the cotton-growing districts.

The Buffalo Forgeries and Car Robberies.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 10.—Col. Theodore Tyner, of the firm of Roots & Tyner, against whom there were six indictments for forgery, and twenty-four other charges held back, and Col. Daniel Myers, against whom there were six indictments for breaking into railroad cars and stealing goods therefrom, were arraigned in the Court of Oyer and Terminer to-day on a single indictment each, and both plead guilty. Judge Daniels will sentence them on Saturday or Monday.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Carlists Bombarding a Spanish Town and Levying Forced Loans on Others— Defeat of Insurgents.

PARIS, April 10.—A dispatch from Perpignan says the Carlists, under Saballo, appeared before Puigcerda, in the Spanish Province of Gerona, this morning, and demanded the surrender of the town. The Government troops refused to yield the place, and the insurgents immediately opened fire.

BAYONNE, April 10.—The Carlists continue to bombard the town of Puigcerda. Relief for the garrison has been sent from Gerona.

Brig.-Gen. Camanos has beaten a band of Carlists under Soliba, which were menacing Gelomi.

Mires, at the head of a considerable force of insurgents, has levied a contribution of 10,000 francs on Villa Franca, and demands its immediate payment by the municipality, threatening the town with the fate of Berga if the money is not forthcoming. The place being well defended, the authorities refuse to yield.

The Town Puigcerda Burning.

PARIS, April 10.—The following dispatch has been received here:

PERPIGNAN, April 10—6 P. M.—The attack on Puigcerda continues. No reinforcements are in sight. The garrison and volunteers are making a heroic resistance, but their position is critical. Fire has already broken out in the town.

MADRID, April 10.—A detachment of reinforcements, 400 strong, embarked at Cadiz to-day for Cuba.

Reduction of British Duty on Sugar—Starvation on Irish Islands.

LONDON, April 10.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer has arranged to carry the reduction of fifty per cent. on the sugar duties into effect next month. The reduction on raw sugar will take place on the 8th, and on refined sugar on the 26th.

The British Society of Engineers gave a complimentary banquet last night to Mr. Stine Seymour, of New-York.

Great distress for want of food is reported to prevail in the islands on the Irish coast off Galway. The sheep even are starving. Subscriptions have been opened for the relief of the islanders.

The Bank of England Forgers—Conclusive Testimony Against Them.

LONDON, April 10.—The developments made in the great Bank of England forgery case, which was before the Lord Mayor again to-day, conclusively establish the fact that the forgeries were committed by Austin Bidwell, now under arrest at Havana, and whose surrender has been ordered by the Spanish Government; George Macdonnell, held for extradition in New-York; George Bidwell, whose arrest in Edinburgh has already been announced, and Noyes, the alleged clerk of the parties, who was the first person taken into custody here. George Bidwell and Noyes were both before the Court to-day, and, after examination, were remanded to Newgate.

HAVANA, April 9, via KEY WEST, Fla., April 10.—The English Consul in this city continues his exertions to counteract the efforts of interested persons here who are seeking to prevent the extradition of Austin Bidwell, one of the Bank of England forgers, and the matter excites much comment.

Explosion of a Shell on a British Man-of-War.

LONDON, April 10.—A shell exploded yesterday on board Her Majesty's gunnery-ship Cambridge, during practice at Devonport. It has been ascertained that many persons are hurt, but beyond this nothing can be learned, as the authorities refuse to allow details of the occurrence to be made public.

Riot Among Strolling French Actors.

PARIS, April 10.—A desperate fight occurred a few days since in the small town of Olonne, Department of Vendee, between two rival companies of strolling actors. Nine of the combatants were killed and several injured.

Strike of Belgian Quarrymen.

BRUSSELS, April 10.—The quarrymen of the Eughien district in Hainault, to the number of 2,000, have struck work for higher wages. They attempted to make demonstrations, but the gendarmerie dispersed all gatherings.

The Supply at Trieste.

TRIESTE, April 10.—The United States steamer Brooklyn arrived here to-day, with the store-ship Supply in tow. The Supply brings the American contributions to the Vienna Exposition.

The Chicamauga Rechristened by the Spaniards—The Butchers and their Meat.

HAVANA, April 9, via KEY WEST, April 10.—The name of the war steamer Chicamauga, purchased from the Americans, has been changed to the Bazan. She is ready for a cruise, and will carry two heavy guns.

Gens. Portillo and Benegasi have been relieved and ordered to return to Spain.

The meat question in Havana has been settled. The Aldermen held an interview with the butchers, and prevailed on them to reduce the price nearly one-half.

The *Voz de Cuba* continues publication for the present. The attacks of the *Constancia*, and the machinations of the ultras, have caused the resignation of Señor Conti, its chief editor and advocate of liberal ideas. A new Republican journal will appear in a few days.

Mexico Tranquil—Horse Disease—Extradition—Sentence of an Assassin.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 1, via HAVANA.—The country is quiet. The revolution in Tepic is rapidly drawing to a conclusion. Several of Lozada's chief officers have surrendered.

The horse disease prevails here to an alarming extent. The disease attacks fowls as well as horses and cattle, and numbers of afflicted animals have been killed and burned in different localities to prevent the spread of the malady. The lack of facilities for transportation in consequence of the epidemic has increased the price of provisions in the capital.

The Jesuits propose to establish a college and a journal at Vera Cruz.

The Legislature of Oaxaca has petitioned Congress to authorize the President of the Republic to conclude the treaties with foreign powers. The petition specifies that among the objects to be accomplished by such treaties is the sending of the most dangerous political criminals abroad to expiate their offenses in foreign prisons.

The Supreme Court at Durango has sentenced Gen. Benigno Canto, who assassinated Gen. Patoni in 1868, to ten years' imprisonment in the Penitentiary and to pay $2,000 indemnity to Patoni's widow and infant. It is presumed that the Government will modify the sentence.

The Coaling Station in the Cape De Verde Islands.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—A dispatch to the Navy Department to-day from Commander Shufeldt, dated United States flag-ship Plymouth, Porte Grande, Isle of St. Vincent, Cape de Verde, March 10, announces that he arrived there from Teneriffe on the 4d inst. He says: I find this town growing in commercial importance, the harbor being the only secure one in the Cape de Verde group; and lying directly in the route of the steamers from the Pacific, Brazil, Cape Town, and the coast of Africa, it has become a coaling station, at which large quantities of coal are annually delivered. It is also understood that the telegraph cable between Europe and South America is to be landed here, thus making the port a point of call for sailing ships traversing the ocean from all parts of the world. Although American trade with the coast of Africa has been very much reduced, it still represents the sum of one million, and these traders stop here both homeward and eastward bound. Our whaling vessels also make it a rendezvous. Under these circumstances it seems strange that we have no representative here. From the absence of a consul and the rare visits of men-of-war, it can readily be imagined how little of American influence is felt at Porte Grande. It is perhaps true that neither consuls nor men-of-war are needed when there is no commerce to protect, but it is equally true that there can be no permanent American trade in these remote parts of the world without the presence of both.

Officers and men all well.

The Plymouth was to sail on the 11th of March for Porto Broya, and thence to the coast of Africa.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Startling news comes from Monaco. An Englishman who had won 70,000 francs at the Casino, and who had left by rail for Mentone, had been found dead in the carriage on the arrival of the train. His pockets had been ransacked of everything. It was thought he had been poisoned with chloroform.

The death is announced of Dr. William Brydon, C. B., of the Bengal Medical Service, whose name will be remarkable in Indian history as that of the one solitary individual of the 13,000 soldiers and camp-followers of the British army at Cabul who was neither killed nor taken prisoner in the memorable retreat from Cabul in January, 1842. Dr. Brydon, after some hairbreadth escapes from the Afghans, reached Jellalabad alive, though wounded and exhausted, all the other persons composing the British force having been either killed or taken prisoners. Dr. Brydon went through the rest of the siege of Jellalabad with the garrison under the command of Sir Robert Sale, and it was his singular fate to be again shut up with Sir Henry Lawrence at Lucknow, and to pass unscathed through that long and trying siege.

With regard to the 1,500,000,000 francs still due by France to Germany, the *Semaine Financière* says 800,000,000 francs can be reckoned on in the form of bills due and not yet due which are deposited in the principal banks in Germany, constituting a fund ready for the payment of the second half of the fourth milliard. For the fifth and last milliard, which ought to be paid in four equal installments of 250,000,000 francs between June and September, there are nearly 200,000,000 francs realized, the greater part in bills on Germany and England, the rest in metal disposable at the Bank of France. Then there are payments on account of the loan amounting to 100,000,000 francs per month, which between now and August may be expected to produce 600,000,000 to 700,000,000 francs, and it is as regards this last sum that difficulties may be encountered. In any case, it is confidently believed that in the last resort the Government would find ready assistance from bankers, independently of the 800,000,000 francs of cash in the hands of the Bank of France.

The principal figures of the French budget for 1874 are given in a telegram from Versailles. The expenditure is estimated at 2,523,000,000 francs, against 2,374,000,000 francs in 1873. The receipts are estimated at 2,526,000,000 francs, the budget thus showing a surplus revenue of 3,000,000 francs. The increase in the expenditure, amounting to 138,000,000 francs, consists of the following proportions: Public debt and dotations, 84,000,000 francs; War Department, 20,000,000 francs, and general expenses, 18,000,000 francs. The Minister of Finance has proposed to raise the land tax 17 centimes, the personal, furniture, door and window taxes, 13 centimes, and to reduce the license tax 17 centimes. The increased revenue thus derived is estimated at 30,000,000 francs. The budget comprises a sum of 750,000,000 francs, under the head of liquidation account, which includes 400,000,000 francs for the repair of the war material and for the purchase of stores, 75,000,000 francs for the subsistence of the German troops, and 275,000,000 francs for various indemnifications. The Minister of Finance calculates that these special branches of expenditure will in five years be reduced to 150,000,000 francs, which will be placed to the account of the floating debt, the total of which is at present estimated at 847,000,000 francs, which sum includes 140,000,000 francs, the deficit of the budget of 1872.

An Austrian Diplomatist's Views of America.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Daily News* writes: Baron Hubner, the Austrian diplomatist, has contracted with Hachette for the publication of his notes of a tour round the globe. It will not appear in German until some early French editions have been run through. The largest section of this work is taken up with studies, personal, picturesque, political, and philosophical, on the United States, where they will not increase the author's popularity. Baron Hubner's previous experiences, which were chiefly of courts and courtiers, were not of a nature to assist him in forming a true judgment of a vigorous young democracy, made up of self-reliant, go-ahead individuals. His impressions of the Great Republic across the Atlantic were, on the whole, unpleasant, and confirmed him in his monarchical leanings. He thinks that America already is in its decline, and is suffering from the effects of precocious infancy and too rapid growth. That it will live to see a grey head seems to him in the highest degree impossible. Baron Hubner charges the Americans with being more aristocratic in their tendencies than the Europeans. This charge is based upon what he calls their mania for titles, and the frequency with which he heard New-Englanders boast of their descent from the Mayflower, and New-Yorkers of their old Knickerbocker ancestry. The Austrian diplomatist was astounded at the luxury of the car saloon on the Pacific line reserved for Mr. Pullman's use. Mr. Pullman is given as an example of the social inequality which, according to the author, is springing up with bean-stalk rapidity of growth in the United States. "When he (Pullman) conducted me, slowly and with pompous solemnity, through the halls, and waiting-rooms, and sheds of the monster terminus, I thought of Louis Quatorze traversing the ante-chambers of Versailles. If any one in Europe wishes to convince himself of the folly of the so-called principle of equality, let him come to America." Baron Hubner does not seem to have formed the smallest notion of the concentrated temper, and intellect, and dry humor of the native-born American, who struck him as being a profoundly melancholy being. He painfully missed the almost boisterous mirth of the working classes of South Germany when traveling in the West. It did not occur to him apparently that the more a people is educated, the less laughter-loving it will become. The want of animal spirits which Baron Hubner thinks a peculiar feature of democracy across the Atlantic, is attributed to the régime of absolute liberty, which gives rise to intensely sharp competition in every walk of life. Hence the gigantic development of a spirit of rivalry, and the isolation of the individual man who feels as if in an enemy's country. In taking leave of America and the Americans, Baron Hubner endeavors to show up the—in his estimation—political fallacies of De Tocqueville. He denies that the republican form of government is a success across the Atlantic. In support of this view, he cites a rich farmer of Illinois, who said to him, "The Republic has run its course. A military dictatorship is the only thing which will enable us to live a quiet life. The actual Constitution is accepted by Americans as an existing fact, and for the time being a necessity; but we have neither republican enthusiasm nor convictions. We are disgusted with our political institutions, and do not care to hide our disgust." "Should not," exclaims the Baron, "such avowals cause us to reflect in Europe, if we were only capable of reflection?"

Discoveries at Pompeii.

The *Unita Nationale*, of Naples, gives an account of some interesting researches recently made in the ruins of the buried city: "In the porch of a small house two skeletons were found, one of them being incontestibly that of a woman, as it had on a bracelet in massive gold, of an unusual form, composed of thick rings soldered to each other, the whole being fastened by two pieces of wire of the same metal. The day after, in the garden of the same building, was discovered a small statue, seated, about two feet high, of a rather uncommon model. It is in terra cotta, but of no definite type. The head, in fact, is absolutely that of Jupiter; the figure is covered with a tunic, having short sleeves which only cover the upper part of the arms; the legs and hand are crossed; a cloak falls from the shoulders and envelops the lower limbs: the right hand holds a papyrus, so that the belief is it must represent a philosopher. Two days after, however, a more important work of art was found at the bottom of another garden contiguous to the one above mentioned, namely, a marble Venus, measuring, with the base, more than a yard in height. It is in perfect preservation, as it only wants two fingers of the right hand, but the most remarkable characteristic is that it is colored. The excavations of Pompeii and Herculaneum have produced many other specimens of painted marble, but the tints have all more or less faded away. In the present work the hair is yellow, the eyelashes and eyebrows black; the chlamys, which from the left arm, passing behind the shoulders, descends on the legs and covers the lower parts, is also tinted yellow outside, while the interior folds show at the edges some traces of blue and red. The nude parts are white. The left arm, the hand of which holds the apple of Paris, rests upon a smaller statue, the drapery of which is also tinted yellow, green, and black."

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Navigation on the Back River, Maine, has opened.

The Pennsylvania Legislature has adjourned sine die.

George Tweedle's malt-house, in Albany, was burned yesterday. Loss $8,000.

The ice in the Penobscot is growing thin and will probably go out in a few days.

The steamer from Booth Gay, Me., made her appearance at Bath yesterday morning.

The ice on the Upper Kennebec is getting weak, and will probably go out in a few days.

Mrs. Harvey was struck by the express train at Hyde Park, N. Y., yesterday, and killed.

Hon. B. B. Strong was elected Speaker of the Pennsylvania Senate yesterday before the adjournment.

Some gentleman who withholds his name has bequeathed $25,000 to the Massachusetts Institution of Technology.

The President has appointed Richard N. Brooke, of Warrenton, Va., to be United States Consul at La Rochelle, France.

The loss by fire in one of the Union Paper Company's mills, at Holyoke, Mass., on Wednesday night, was $25,000; fully insured.

In the Dominion Parliament, in Ottawa, on Wednesday night, the Vote by Ballot bill passed its second reading by 26 majority.

Mr. Robert H. Waterman is the fourth New Capitol Commissioner agreed upon by the Ways and Means Committee in Albany.

The Massachusetts Historical Society at its annual meeting yesterday, in Boston, re-elected Mr. Robert C. Winthrop President.

The ship ashore on Barnegat Beach is the Webster, from Bull River, S. C., for New-York with a cargo of fertilizer. She will be a total loss.

The Attorney-General has appointed Mr. Peddrick to act as Chief Clerk of the Department of Justice, during the absence of Mr. Falls.

Charles Sanguinet, born 1781, and probably the oldest native of what was formerly known as Upper Louisiana, died in St. Louis yesterday.

Hanson Nichols, of New-York, a brakeman on the Hudson River Railroad, was run over at Hyde Park yesterday morning, and died at noon.

The steamer City of Dallas, from New-York April 2, for New-Orleans, is ashore on the sand-beach fifteen miles south of Jupiter Light, Florida. She will probably be got off.

Mrs. Anna Adair was acquitted, on Wednesday, in Chicago, of the accusation of poisoning her husband, in Lorraine, Ill., last January. It was shown that he committed suicide.

Washington Booth assumed the duties of the office of Collector of the Port of Baltimore, yesterday, vice John L. Thomas, Jr., whose term of office has expired.

Yesterday was generally observed as a fast day in New-Hampshire. The weather was delightful, and the snow banks disappearing rapidly.

Jacob Traver, one of the oldest and most respected residents of Hudson, N. Y., committed suicide yesterday morning, by drowning in Underhill's pond, in the suburbs.

Matthew Baird, the senior member of the firm controlling the Baldwin Locomotive Works, in Philadelphia, has retired, receiving $2,000,000 for his interest in the works.

Samuel Peters, of Tarrytown, a patient in a private insane asylum at Fishkill, fell or jumped from the ferry-boat Union into the Hudson River, yesterday morning, and was drowned.

Jonathan Ganse, a noted teacher of Pennsylvania, and for a long time principal of the old West Chester Academy, died on Wednesday, in Chester County, aged eighty-seven years.

Charles Curtis, a dry-goods dealer, in Boston, is held in $2,000 bail for trial, charged with buying goods on credit and selling low for cash, with the intention of absconding with the proceeds.

The President has appointed Capt. Wm. N. Jeffers to be Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy Department, vice Rear-Admiral Case, who is to take command of the European fleet.

The fuse factory of Franklin Alvord, in Avon, Conn., blew up and was burned, yesterday, while the employees were at dinner. Wilbur Case, a lad employed in the factory, was severely injured.

The counsel for Wright, convicted of the murder of Rogerski, in Washington, yesterday entered a motion for a new trial, taking exceptions to the charge, and also on the ground of new evidence.

The premature explosion of a seam blast at Dexter Lime Rock quarry, Lincoln, R. I., yesterday, instantly killed Owen Moffat and a Frenchman whose name is unknown, and seriously injured four others.

Company F, Seventh Cavalry, arrived at Yankton, Dakota, yesterday morning. They will go into camp until the grass grows, when they go to their position on the proposed line of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

The railroad bridge at Morgantown, Ohio, on the Cincinnati and Martinsville Railroad, fell yesterday morning, while a number of carpenters were at work upon it. Three were dangerously and two severely injured.

The Sixth Presbyterian Church of Washington, D. C., has recovered $11,500 from the Baldimore and Potomac Railroad Company for damages arising from the laying of that road in immediate proximity to the church property.

The Wilmington, Charlotte, and Rutherfordton Railway was sold at public auction, yesterday, under a decree of court in North Carolina, and was bought by Edward Matthews, trustee for the first mortgage bond-holders, for $1,100,000.

The following were the balances in the Treasury yesterday: Currency, $2,297,537; special deposit of legal tenders for redemption of certificates of deposit, $26,100,000; coin, $71,219,263 73; including in coin certificates, $54,037,300; legal tender outstanding, $356,756,109.

The steam-ship Cassini, from Liverpool, has arrived at Philadelphia, after a voyage of twenty-seven days. She experienced fearful weather. She ran short of coal when twenty-one days out, and was compelled to use 500 cwts. of Peruvian bark as fuel.

Gov. Noyes, of Ohio, has appointed the following Commissioners at the Vienna Exposition: A. T. Goshorn and John H. Mack, of Cincinnati; John A. Warder, of Cleves; Guido Marx, of Toledo; August Theme, of Cleveland; Robt. H. Kirk, of Mount Vernon, and John McKelvy, of Sandusky.

Murder in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—This afternoon, John Samuel shot and instantly killed Elihu A. Marchant, at the office of the latter, in Montgomery-street, here. Samuel fired four shots, one of which took effect on the side and the other through the head. After firing the shots, the murderer gave himself up. It is reported that Marchant attempted to seduce one of Samuel's daughters over a year ago. Deceased was married, and the father of seventeen children.

Opening of the Base-Ball Season in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., April 10.—The base-ball season was opened to-day by a match game between the new professional Philadelphia nine and Amateur Eurekas. The Philadelphians appeared in a new drab uniform, and the play of the new club excited favorable comment,

ENGLISH AFFAIRS.

Parliamentary Proceedings — Nonconformists and Ultramontanes—The Coal Famine.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, March 29, 1873.

The prospects of the Government are still rather gloomy, and the peers themselves seem to be in anything but good spirits. On Wednesday the Lord Mayor of London invited the Ministers to meet all the provincial Mayors at dinner, and Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Lowe, the Lord Chancellor, and one or two others, went. The Mayors made a fine show in their blue and scarlet robes, with glittering chains and badges hung about them, and the meats and wines were of the best. But somehow the Ministers were not at their ease, and a tone of discomfort and despondency ran through their speeches. It is known that they now want to push off the dissolution of Parliament as long as possible, but they could not help alluding to this uncomfortable topic, and in a way that showed they have very little hope of being able to effect their purpose. Mr. Lowe tried to make merry over Mr. Disraeli's sudden dislike to a House of Commons which had done nothing except put office in his grasp, but he admitted that after all, Mr. Disraeli had the game for the present pretty much in his own hands, and could force on the elections jit she chose. One rather serious difficulty the Government yesterday contrived to manœuvre out of their way. Although their own measure had been defeated, the Irish University question still stared them in the face in the shape of Prof. Fawcett's rival bill. The object of this bill is to leave things as they are, with the exception of secularizing Trinity College, and the main argument against it was that it did not do enough for the Roman Catholics. Since the Catholics have rejected Mr. Gladstone's large concessions, it has been seen that it is useless trying to please them, and this has brought Prof. Fawcett's policy fresh support. The Government would not bring themselves to pocket their pride and accept the project of a private member; and at the same time they were exposed to serious danger if they had to go into a division on the question. Rogers, for them, the Professor made some alterations in his bill, with a view to make it more palatable to Mr. Gladstone, and Mr. Gladstone has seized upon this as a means of shelving it altogether. It is a rule of the House of Commons that when a bill has been read a second time, it is the property of the House, and can be altered only by consent of the House. The Professor, in altering his bill on his own account, had broken this rule, and so had to begin his work over again. He has brought in a new bill, (though the Government set themselves against it with all their might,) and the second reading is fixed for Wednesday, but the Irish members may be trusted to talk up to 6 o'clock, when, on this day, the House is bound to adjourn at that hour. There is no chance of getting another day for it except with the help of the Government, and this would seem to be hopeless. In this manner the Government have got out of an awkward situation, but without much dignity or credit. A Government that has to dodge its opponents, and dare not meet them face to face, is evidently in a bad way.

ULTRAMONTANES AND NONCONFORMISTS.

The difficulty of the Government in striking out a line for the elections, is that it has hitherto been supported by the Ultramontanes and Nonconformists in combination, whereas now it must choose between one or the other. Gladstone came into office to overthrow the Irish Church, and Ultramontanes and Nonconformists were here as one. The Nonconformists objected to all establishments and the Roman Catholics to this particular establishment. Their common hatred of the Irish Church brought them together. In framing the English Education bill the Ministry did their best to humor both parties, but they went too far in the direction of denominationalism to please the Nonconformists, and not far enough to earn much gratitude from the Roman Catholics, who, besides, attach more importance to what they can get in Ireland than in England. The breach with the Nonconformists was widened by the disposition of the Government to give the Roman Catholic bishops power to shape university education in Ireland to suit their own purposes. In the Government had on this question succeeded in conciliating the bishops, they would have been better able to bear the disaffection of the Dissenters, but as it happened, they estranged both. Those who pull the strings of the Ultramontane organization have decided that their best policy is to get up a third party in the House of Commons, which shall be neither Liberal nor Conservative, but devoted exclusively to Roman Catholic interests. It will trust on independent terms with Gladstone or Disraeli, as the case may be; will offer its support to the highest bidder, and do its best to distract and divide English politics in the hope that the scramble may bring some profit to itself. On this side, therefore, the Government has nothing to hope for. The question now is whether it can restore itself in the good graces of the Dissenters. The attempt, at least, is to be made. On Wednesday the Government supported the bill for throwing open the parish church-yards to the services of all religious denominations on a footing of perfect equality. At present the clergy of the Church have alone the right of officiating in the church-yards, and the Nonconformists have refused to accept the offer of dispensing with a service of any kind if it is objected to. There is really no practical grievance in the matter, for the Dissenters of the towns are well provided with free cemeteries, and the Dissenters of secluded rural districts who have no grave-yards near at hand, save that of the parish church, are perfectly content with the ordinary burial service, and would, in fact, feel aggrieved if it were to be withheld from them. The strength of the Church consists not so much in the numerical force of actual churchmen as in the hold which the rites and ceremonies of the Church have on many who go elsewhere for their ordinary preaching and praying. The majority of Dissenters are married in churches connected with the Established Church, and not by their own ministers. The opponents of the Burials bill argue that the throwing open of the church-yards to every kind of service, without restrictions—and the restrictions of the bill are certainly only nominal—would produce scenes of scandal and disorder, and next, that admission to the church-yard is sought only as a means of obtaining access to the Church. There can be no doubt that the claim, though plausible in some respects, is really advanced as a plan of annoying and humiliating the Church, and breaking down its national position. It is an attempt to disestablish the Church by a side blow. The debate on the bill took the form of a party struggle. Mr. Disraeli led the opponents of the measure, the Government voted in favor of it, and carried the day by a majority of sixty-three. This, however, is no indication of the feeling of the country, and the Conservatives contend that they will gain at the elections through the Government having taken this line. It is expected that this step will be followed up by the announcement of important concessions to the Nonconformists in regard to the Education act. On the whole, the elections will probably be a pitched battle between the Nonconformists on one one hand, and Churchmen, or those who, if not Churchmen, are at least disposed to stick by the old ways, and to resist innovations on the other.

THE INQUIRY INTO THE COAL FAMINE.

The committee of the House of Commons, which was appointed to inquire into the coal famine has held two meetings, and the result of the evidence taken may be thus summarized: From 1867 to 1872 there was an increasing output of coal from a decreasing number of collieries, at prices which were highest at the time when the output was greatest—that is to say, the supply rose with the demand, but without getting beyond it. There does not appear, therefore, to have been a limitation of the supply. The total number of tons of coal produced was: In 1867, 104,374,000; 1868, 103,000,000; 1869, 107,299,000; 1870, 110,339,000; 1871, 117,183,000; 1872, 126,000,000. The figures for 1872 are conjectural, and none have yet been given for 1873. In making pig-iron from the ore it is calculated that three tons of coal are consumed for every ton of pig-iron. For raising the pigs to the condition of finished iron three tons of coal are required for every ton of iron. A ton of bar iron, boiler plates, rails, in short, iron generally in those shapes in which it is sold wholesale represents an expenditure of at least six tons seven hundred weight of coal, so far as can be traced; but coal is expended on iron, even after this stage, to an amount difficult to estimate. In 1871 the amount of coal consumed in the iron trade is supposed to have been 26,339,000, and for 1872, 40,000,000 tons. In 1871 the amount of coal consumed in trades other than the iron trade, was 47,000,000 tons, which would leave over 19,000,000 available for domestic use. Mr. Dickinson, Government Inspector for East Lancashire, said the tendency of late years had been to get out a larger quantity of coal, and the pitmen were put to those portions of the mines where the largest quantities could be obtained. He hoped the air-ways were not being neglected, but he was afraid there would sometime come a fearful day of reckoning. The stimulus which had been given by high wages and high prices had caused the men to get the coal from the easiest portions of the pit, and he was afraid they might not be paying that attention to the air-passages of the pit which they did when in former years their operations were carried on over a greater extent of the mines. He was apprehensive, therefore, of explosions. With the present high price of coal, he was afraid no advice of his would be taken which would interfere with the easiest way of getting the coal out of the mine. The miners in his district drank champagne occasionally, but he was far from saying that they were an idle and profligate class. In fact, they had been not less industrious and vigorous for the last two or three years than they were many years before. The general increase in the rate of wages had of late amounted to no less than forty per cent. The consumption of coal was largely increasing in the steam-works, and nearly all the coal raised was consumed in the district.

The cause of the late disturbance in the prices of coal arose, he believed, from the increase of population, and the greater requirements of trade. Mr. L. Brown, inspector for South-Western Lancashire, thought that the late increase in the price of coal was due to the demands of the men for higher wages and shorter hours. The men now only worked about four days a week. As to the price of coal, he was now paying thirty-six shillings per ton for coal which some years ago he could obtain at thirteen shillings per ton, and it must be known that all this increased profit had not gone into the pockets of the miners. Their increase of wages had been about forty per cent. since 1867.

THE BOAT RACE.

The University boat race was rowed this afternoon, Cambridge, as you will have already learnt, beating Oxford by some three lengths. The Oxford men had not enough physical weight for their work, but neither crew was very good. The rowing was ragged and uneven. The most remarkable feature of the race was the vast multitude—larger than has ever been known before—which gathered from all parts to witness it. A few years ago the University race was just mentioned in a short paragraph in the papers, and there were not, perhaps, more than a few hundreds of people assembled to witness it, almost exclusively University men, young and old, and their friends. It was then usually rowed early in the morning. But the betting men soon seized upon it, and as betting has become more general, so the boat race has risen in importance. It does not strike one as a very noble ambition to supply the betting fraternity with a basis for gambling and swindling transactions, and the moral influence of the affair on the young men of the universities, and especially on the crews, is very bad. The crews and their friends have usually a large sum depending on the race; false weights and false time are rewards the preliminary trials are systematically published. Several of the music halls which have a special license to be open to 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, on the eve of the race are thronged with the sons of gentlemen, who go there to get on bets with the dirty crew who ordinarily frequent these haunts. It has become almost impossible for respectable 'people' to see the race. It is attended by all the scum of the metropolis, and in the way of scum London beats any other city in the world. The abominable language which is heard on every side, and the foul manners of the drunken crowd render it quite impossible for any decent woman, except at unspeakable hazards, to venture near the scene. Anybody who has been among the throng on the hill at Epsom on the Derby Day will have a faint idea of the noisy and noisome rabble for whom it is the pride and glory of young Oxford and Cambridge to exhibit their rowing prowess. To get to Epsom you must either walk twenty miles there and twenty miles back or pay a few shillings for conveyance, but Putney is almost part of London—it is only four or five miles to walk there, and the omnibus fare is only a few pence. The consequence is that the residuum of the capital is pretty well stirred up for the occasion. It is probable that in another year or so the race will either be removed from London to some other part of the country, or given up altogether, which would be better.

F. B. J.

A Fraudulent Check Passed on Duncan, Sherman & Co.

Scott Tremaine, a clerk, employed at No. 157 Chambers-street, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Curry, yesterday, on an order issued by Judge Van Vorst, at the suit of Duncan, Sherman & Co., bankers. The order was issued on the affidavit of Wm. F. Leslie, the receiving teller in the plaintiffs' bank. The affidavit avers that Tremaine, who had kept a small account at the bank of the plaintiffs, on a certain day offered to deposit a check, drawn by J. C. Wright, for $1,850 on the Continental Bank of West Chester. The check was indorsed by Tremaine. The teller says that him if he intended to draw against it then. Tremaine said he did not, but that it was to meet a payment he had to make that day. The teller at first refused to receive the check, but upon being earnestly assured by Tremaine that it would be paid on presentation he took it, and afterward, on the same day, paid out the amount on Tremaine's check to another party. It was subsequently discovered that the check on the Central Bank, West Chester, was worthless.

Tremaine was committed to Ludlow-street Jail in default of bail, which was fixed at $1,500.

The Narragansett Steamship Company.

A TIMES reporter yesterday called upon Capt. A. P. Bacon, the General Superintendent of the Narragansett Steam-ship Company, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the company had determined upon discontinuing the calling of their boats at Newport, and, if possible, to find out the cause of the antagonism that is reported to exist against the company on the part of the Harbor-master and pilots of Newport, who, it is claimed, persistently and willfully anchor vessels in the channel, to the danger of the steamers of the line.

Capt. Bacon said that it was the decided intention of the company to discontinue the calling at Newport by their boats, unless steps were at once taken by the authorities to prevent the infringement of the law, as now practiced by the pilots, and so leave their steamers to effect a landing in safety. In view of the present state of affairs, the company have already issued orders to their master mechanic to furnish estimates for the erection of suitable buildings at Fall River, to be used as workshops, &c., instead of those now in operation at Newport. Capt. Bacon said, however, that the removal of the workshops may possibly be avoided, and the present difficulty be remedied, as he had received a dispatch from Newport setting forth that the Town Council were willing and anxious to do all in their power to remedy or investigate the existing evils complained of, and further that they would appoint any person as Harbor-master that the company do not wish to appoint any one to that position, and all that they want is that the law should be carried out which provides that the channel should be kept clear, so that navigation shall not be impeded, and also that vessels anchored in the stream shall ring a bell in foggy weather. He said he was unable to account for the hostility of the pilots, except that they may believe that the company should have changed the terminus of their boats from Newport to Fall River. The report that the pilots endeavored to "strike" the company, and that the preschedule position arose out of the refusal of the company to accede to such a thing, is denied by Capt. Bacon, who says he believes the pilots to be a class of men entirely above anything of the kind, and that not even a hint in that way has ever been made by them to the company. Capt. Bacon will, in all probability, visit Newport to-morrow, when some understanding may be come to between the town and the company.

VACATED ASSESSMENTS.

Important Letter from Controller Green to Mayor Havemeyer.

The following is a copy of a letter recently forwarded by Controller Green to the Mayor in reference to the laws relating to street improvements:

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 27, 1873.

To Hon. William F. Havemeyer, Mayor, &c.:

SIR: The laws relating to street improvements in this City, such as regulating, grading, paving, sewering, &c., require early amendment, to prevent the setting aside of assessments laid for these improvements.

Certain lawyers, taking advantage of technical objections to assessments for beneficial improvements, apply to the courts to have them vacated. Assessments thus vacated become unjustly a charge upon the tax-payers of the City, while the owners of the property benefited by the improvements, and who should pay for them, escape.

Assessments laid for wooden and poultice pavements—jobs which have been so costly and so ephemeral—have given rise to great dissatisfaction to property-owners. But the business of vacating assessments is by no means confined to this class of work.

"A" pays the assessment on his lot for improving the street on which it is situated. "B," his neighbor, is applied to by one of these lawyers with the offer to clear him of his assessment upon condition of paying the lawyer one-quarter of the amount he gets clear of it. A technical objection to the assessment is brought before the court, and it is set aside. The result is that "A" not only pays his own assessment, but has, as a tax-payer, to pay a portion of his neighbor "B's."

The amount of assessments vacated during the last five years, and which are thus made a general charge upon the City, is as follows:

1868	$63,980 45
1869	84,169 90
1870	92,844 56
1871	527,945 13
1872	993,762 94
Total	$1,714,779 98

Of this a few lawyers have received not less than $400,000. The business of vacating assessments is still going on.

Prior to the year 1852, it was the practice to pay contractors for work on the streets, such as paving, &c., from the proceeds of assessments after they were collected. Under the present system the work is mostly paid for by the City out of bonds issued to raise the necessary money before the work is executed. The bonds thus issued by the City from time to time to meet these payments on street improvements, and now outstanding as a debt of the City, amount to the enormous sum of $16,182,472 30. They are all payable within five years, and a large amount become due and payable in the present year.

The assessments constitute a fund pledged for the payment of these bonds, and are the only means provided for that purpose. This fund is, of course, diminished to the extent that the assessments are vacated, and the City Treasury must meet the deficiency out of the general tax, or by issue of permanent bonds as a City debt.

If measures are not taken immediately to sustain the assessments and prevent these unjust vacations, another large portion of the advances made by the City, represented by bonds outstanding, must fall upon the tax-payers of the City.

The practice of vacating assessments upon technical and frivolous grounds is comparatively of recent origin, and has only within a few years grown into a serious evil and imposition upon the City Treasury.

Under the law of 1813, chapter 86, it was provided that the cost of all street improvements should be first ascertained, and collected through the assessments on property benefited, and then, and only then, the City should assume the liability and undertake the execution of the work.

The older portions of the City having paid the assessments for street improvements which were for their special benefit, it would appear to be equitable that the expenses of improvements of this kind for the special benefit of the newer portions of the City should, as a general thing, be paid by the property benefited.

It is not equitable that the expenses of these improvements in the upper portions of the City fall upon the whole body of tax-payers, as this would make the older and more improved sections bear a larger portion of the expense than those newer parts specially benefited.

If the claims of the City against the owners of property for assessments on street improvements directly for their benefit are to be cancelled, there would seem to be no other means of guarding the City at large against the unjust imposition of taxes, except either by discontinuing of the work, by an increase of the taxes, or of the City debt.

The amount of bonds to be issued in any one year should, by legislative enactment, be limited to a specific sum, and no work should be undertaken or authorized by the Common Council the expenditure on which will exceed the amount of bonds authorized.

I cannot too emphatically urge the immediate necessity of securing the legislation to protect the interests of the City in these respects.

I am, with great respect,

ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

The Money in the Controller's Hands—Meeting of the Commissioners Yesterday.

The Commissioners of the Dock Department met yesterday. There were present Commissioners Agnew, Hunt, Wood, Henry, and Kane. Mr. Agnew presided.

The Executive Committee reported in favor of allowing the New-York Floating Dry Dock Company to make an extension at Pier No. 42 East River, for which they were to pay a rental of $200 a year to the City. The application of J. Sunnybawn & Co., to build a pier at the foot of One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street, North River, for the petroleum business, and others, were reported unfavorably, with a recommendation that they be denied. The report of the committee and its suggestions were adopted.

Commissioner Wood introduced the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, That period of the season has arrived when arrangements for the future work of this department must be entered upon, or be delayed, and such arrangements cannot properly be made while the department is in a state of complete uncertainty as to its supplies of money; and,

Whereas, On the 7th day of January, 1873, a resolution was adopted by this board calling on the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to direct the Controller to issue dock bonds for $1,000,000, for the uses and purposes of the department; and,

Whereas, The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund passed a resolution, on the 31st of July, 1872, directing the Controller to issue dock bonds for $1,000,000, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Docks forward a requisition in the following words to the Controller:

"Please pay to the order of Wm. Wood, Treasurer pro tem. of the Department of Docks, the sum of $1,000,000, being the proceeds of the dock bonds of the City of New-York issued by you under the requisition of this Department, dated 18th January, 1872."

Commissioner Henry was opposed to asking the Controller anything about this money. There is now $1,400,000 ready for the Commissioners, while the Controller has been directed to issue, and they should go on with their work and let the Controller pay the bills. He moved that the resolution be laid on the table; but it was finally referred to the Executive Committee.

A resolution passed by the Board of Aldermen providing for the utilization of the ashes collected in the City, in filling in bulkheads, &c., and improving Randall's Island, was referred to the Executive Committee; as was also one from the Police Commissioners, recommending two new dumping boards, one at the foot of Maiden-lane, and the other on the North River, between Piers Nos. 1 and 13.

A petition from the Fulton Fish Market Association for the dredging out of the slip in front of the market, the association offering to pay half the expense, was referred to Superintendent Westervelt.

After ordering the removal of a fish-shed on the water front at Washington Market, and disposing of some unimportant business, the board adjourned.

Review of the Seventh Regiment.

The review of the Seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., under command of Col. Clark, by Gen. Morris, Inspector-General of the State, took place yesterday afternoon at the plaza on Union-square. The regiment arrived at the rendezvous in separate companies, and when all had assembled, Gen. Morris and his staff took up their position on the platform of the new lodge in the Park, from which point the whole body could be seen at a glance. The usual military evolutions having been gone through, the Inspector-General, accompanied by his staff officers, made a thorough inspection of the regiment, and expressed his entire satisfaction at the discipline and appearance of the men. The order to march was then given, and the men filed by and proceeded down Broadway to their armory, where they were dismissed. During the review the windows and roofs of the buildings surrounding Union-square were crowded with spectators, among whom were many ladies, and the crush on the sidewalks in the vicinity was so great that travel was entirely suspended. The performance of the military evolutions by the men was heartily applauded by the spectators.

THE POSTAL-CARS.

The Inquiry Continued Yesterday—Statement by Mr. Davis, of the Railroad Postal Service.

The Senate Committee empowered to make inquiries relative to the disagreement between the United States Government and the railway companies, with regard to the postal-cars, met again yesterday morning at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, with Senator Windom, of Minnesota, in the chair. Senators Conkling, Casserly, Conover, Mitchell, and Davis were also present.

Mr. Hinckley, of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, said that his road would not refuse, and had not decided to refuse, to carry the mails, but would stow them away as the directors might decide. He then explained the difficulty of moving long cars around curves, and the strain on the cars and rails. The postal cars are fifty feet long.

To Senator Davis—A fifty-foot car, with eight wheels, has the carrying capacity of ten tons of pig-iron, but a fifty-foot car, with but twelve wheels, has not the same comparative carrying capacity. Mail matter is bulky, and the same weights could not be put into the car as of pig-iron. The same would apply to hay, or any other bulky matter. The trucks under a fifty-foot car are not so close together, consequently the bridge of the postal-car has to be made stronger. The carrying capacity of a fifty-foot car is equal to that of two twenty-five-foot cars for bulky or mail matter, but not for heavy material. This fact demonstrates the necessity of carrying mail matter by space measurement, instead of weight. Tonnage is regulated by the wheels in carrying dead weight. A car with sixteen wheels would be able to carry more dead weight than a car of the same length with but twelve wheels; and two cars, of half the length, would go easier round the curves. The Reading Road has numerous coal-cars, and if a fifty-foot car could be moved as easily as a smaller car, long ones would have been adopted some time ago for mere convenience; but the fronts really are that none of the coal cars exceed, even if they reach, thirty feet in length.

To Senator Conkling—It would be impossible to run cars exceeding fifty feet in length with any degree of safety. The fifty-feet cars on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad have all twelve wheels, but the Pullman cars on the Western roads, and which are about fifty-four feet long, have sixteen wheels. The lighting and heating of the postal-car are different to that of the passenger-car, but by the new bill the cost would be about the same. While the receipts from the postal-cars would be as sixteen to thirty-nine received from the passenger-cars.

To the Chairman—A train of eleven passenger-cars might be drawn by one locomotive in bad weather, whereas the addition of a twelfth car might necessitate a second locomotive to make time. The postal-car would only pay sixteen cents per mile, whereas an express-car would pay sixty cents; and if the Company was not compelled to take the postal-car, the express-car would be taken in preference. The increase of expense is in maintenance of service, fuel, &c.

To Mr. Davis—If a passenger-car was over forty-six feet long it would then arrive at the turning point when it would be necessary to change from eight wheels to twelve wheels. He would not think it safe to place a longer car on two four-wheel trucks.

STATEMENT OF N. DAVIS.

Mr. N. Davis, Assistant Superintendent of the Railroad Postal Mail Service, was then called, and made a statement on behalf of the Post-office Department. He said that it would be unwise at present to answer the statements of the railroad official relative to the receipts to be derived from postal and express service, as that was a matter of calculation which would take time, and should not be hastily made. The railroad officials assert that they had been induced to furnish increased and improved facilities on promises from the Post-office Department that Congress would be asked to readjust the amount of compensation. The improvements began in 1864, but up to 1868 the report showed nothing that the Department could consider as inducements to cause a change of the rates. To support this, Mr. Davis read from the reports of the different Postmasters-General up to that time. In 1868 he showed that the Post-office Department allowed $150,220 in excess of the compensation of the preceding year. In 1870 the compensation was increased $213,688 97; in 1871 a further increase of $206,448 77, and in 1872 a still further increase of $355,645 91. This readjustment was made by the Post-office Department under the old law of 1845. It the impression had got abroad that no consideration was given to the postal-car accommodation that impression was erroneous, except in the case where the maximum rate allowed by law had already been reached. Mr. Davis then read a statement showing the increase of compensation made per mile to several roads between the years 1867 and 1872, showing an increase of from twenty five to fifty per cent., and in one instance of over 300 per cent., according to the amount of service: in many cases the compensation reaching the maximum rate as follows:

ROADS.	Rates per mile. 1867.	1872.
Between Boston and Worcester	$300	$375
Between Worcester and Springfield	317 40	375
Between Springfield and Albany	317 40	300
Between New-Haven and Springfield	250	325
Between New-Haven and New-York	300	375
Between New-York and Dunkirk	275	300
Between New-York, Albany, and Troy	300	300
Between Albany and Buffalo	300	300
Between Rochester and Niagara Falls	150	250
Between Attica and Hornellsville	56 67	300
Between Buffalo and Erie	200	375
Between Philadelphia and Pittsburg	275	375
Between Baltimore and Washington	300	375
Between Erie and Cleveland	225	375
Between Cincinnati and Indianapolis	150	375
Between Toledo and Cleveland	200	375
Between Toledo and Quincy	100	225
Between Washington and Chattanooga	100	225
Between Washington and Richmond	100	300
Between Toledo and Chicago	150	375

Mr. Davis said other instances might be cited, but considered them unnecessary. He further showed that in 1867 the only roads that received the maximum compensation of $375 were those between New-York and Baltimore, but the above table will show many others had received it since 1867. He then said it was an error to say that the belief had been arrived at that the postal-car was not considered in making these adjustments. He personally knew of instances where the postal-cars had been proffered by railroad companies in advance of any law on the subject, and with a knowledge of the maximum rate within the power of the Post-office Department to allow. The instance of a disparity between the rates paid by the department, as cited by Mr. Hinckley, was an extreme one. It had been asserted that the railroads should have been consulted before the law had been framed; but experience has shown by the report of Postmaster Randall that nothing definite could be arrived at, as the claims alone of the railroad companies would greatly exceed all the appropriation made for postal service. The railroad companies were heard before the committee of Congress, and the new law was framed from the best judgment of Congress, after hearing all parties interested. The new law allows an increase of pay without any increase of service beyond that mentioned in the last reports. The rate is fixed at $200 per mile per annum for the carrying of 5,000 pounds daily, and an additional $25 per mile for each 2,000 pounds in excess. This could be carried on to any extent.

To Senator Davis—The Post-office had, at one time, tried to regulate the schedule of time on the railroads, but had given that up long ago as an impossibility. The railroads now make up their own schedules of time, and the Post-office officials have to govern themselves by it. On some roads a larger apartment is given in a postal-car than the wants of the Post-office demand, but this arises, doubtless, from the companies having greater facilities.

To Senator Conkling—Prior to the postal-car system, the maximum was in some cases reached by the rate of fixing compensation by weight. Before 1867 there was no established rule by which compensation could be properly regulated, and it was impossible for him to state by what rule the department fixed the rates. Importance of the service, the speed attained, and the weight carried, were doubtless considered; as in the case of the transmission of the mails between New-York and Washington, the importance of the service would be taken into consideration.

To Senator Casserly—The value of the postal-car was the distribution of the mails by postal clerks on the car, instead of carrying them to local offices for distribution. This caused a great saving of time, and was beneficial to all classes of offices; but formed a special relief to the larger offices, such as New-York, Philadelphia, Washington, Boston, and Chicago. To withdraw the postal-cars would be to throw a mass of matter into offices that had not the accommodation, as for instance, New-York and Chicago. There they could not get a sufficient force to work, so as to distribute the mails rapidly, and great delay would be created.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Davis said he had been in the Post-office since 1833—twenty years—and had adjusted the pay for railroads since 1867. Col. Bangs could show the workings of the postal-car system with greater accuracy.

To Senator Conkling—The postal-car is really a Post-office on wheels. The mail is distributed while in motion, thereby utilizing the time in transit. It also relieves the local office of much of its labor, besides saving time. A letter picked up along the road would go direct to its destination instead of, as formerly, to a local distributing office.

In answer to Mr. Chapin, of the Boston and Albany Railroad, Mr. Davis said he thought the law of 1845 contemplated more than merely a daily service. He was aware that more was performed. In this connection Mr. Hinckley showed that the law limited the maximum rate of compensation to $375 per mile.

Mr. Worcester, of the New-York Central Railroad, asked if the schedules of time being fixed by the railroads instead of the Post-office did not arise from the fact that the roads now rendered ten services daily where they formerly rendered but one. Such was the case with his road.

Mr. Davis replied that it might be so with his road; but there were many roads with which it had been impossible to regulate proper connections, and all efforts of the Post-office Department to compel such connections to be made had proved inoperative.

Mr. Hinckley then endeavored to show the committee the hardships which the railroad companies had to sustain in carrying out the postal contracts; repeating most of his former statements; and asserted that if the companies were compelled to carry merchandise as was contemplated, still greater hardships would have to be sustained.

To the Chairman—The rate of $25 per extra 2,000 pounds was a fair rate of compensation, and he would be glad to fill the postal-car at that rate, providing he could stow it away as he might desire.

To Mr. Casserly—The system of Great Britain is not so hard and oppressive on the railroad companies as in the United States, as he learned recently from a director of the London and North-western Railway, the Earl of Caithness, that if his road did not get a proper compensation for the amount of mail matter carried, the company would soon take off the mail-cars. He, the Earl of Caithness, was greatly surprised to think the Post-office Department in the United States did not pay a sufficient compensation for carrying the mail matter.

The committee then adjourned until 11 o'clock this morning.

GOOD FRIDAY.

"Thou, Love, who didst such anguish bear
Upon the mount of agony,
And yet, with ceaseless, watchful care,
Dost yearn o'er us as tenderly;
Thou camest not Thy will to seek,
But all Thy thoughts were fixed on Thee!
Bearing the cross in patience meek,
That thou mightst take our curse away."
—*From the Lyra Germanica.*

The penitential season of Lent, now rapidly drawing to a close, culminates to-day in the commemoration of the direst tragedy which the world has ever known or ever will know—the passion and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. To the great bulk of the Christian world, Good Friday is the most solemn day in the year. In the Catholic and Episcopal Churches it is a day of rigid fasting and devotion. No more saving a scene can be witnessed than a crowded church during the service of the Tenebræ, or Three Hours' Agony—the hours during which Christ is recorded as having hung upon the cross and darkness covered the land of Israel. To those who have witnessed the decennial performance of the celebrated Passion Play at Oberammergau, something terribly realistic must come home to them when bowed in solemn devotion in their place of worship on such a day. The stripping of the altar, the putting out of the lights, the sombre vestments of the priests, and minor accessories of the service must intensify this impression, and over many it has a lasting and powerful influence. To the non-Catholic it is singularly impressive, even though he disapprove of the service. Good Friday is the only day in the year on which mass is not celebrated in Catholic churches.

For the first two or three centuries the Christians used to call Good Friday *pascha*, from which comes the French *pâque*, signifying that Christ was their paschal lamb, the crucifixion having taken place on the Jewish Passover. The Saxons originally called it Long Friday, in consequence of the extreme length of the fast and of the penitential services. In olden times there were many more ceremonies and services on Good Friday than at the present time, though many of these still in use can be traced back to the days of Constantine. It was the custom to construct a temporary sepulchre in the churches, before which devotees would kneel for hours together, in silence bewailing their sins, and expressing their penitence more in their faces than by words. In some countries the custom of making Judas Iscariot, was set up in the public place before the church, and as every person entered or passed out of the sacred edifice they offered every possible indignity to the figure, spitting upon it, smiting it on the face with the palms of their hands, striking it on the head and body with sticks, and throwing filth and garbage at it. The ceremony where the cross is still retained, also of other relics, such as the crown of thorns, which is devoutly kissed by thousands of people every year. The practice formerly in vogue, of creeping in a kneeling position up to the cross, is abandoned. An old proclamation of Henry VIII. on record, in which, after commanding all his loving subjects to observe this penitential custom, he says: "On Good Friday it shall be declared howe creepyng of the crosse signifyeth an humblynge of ourselfe to Christe before the crosse, and the kyssinge of it a memorie of our redemption made upon the crosse."

Most of the relics connected with the crucifixion are preserved in some of the principal cathedrals of Europe, and are veritably believed to be genuine by the Catholic population. The crown of thorns is preserved at Notre Dame, in Paris, and is exhibited only once a year to the faithful. Some of our Savior's blood is the most highly-prized relic of Mantua. The true cross, or rather a part of it, and the lance with which St. Longinus, the Roman soldier, pierced the side of Christ, are at St. Peter's, in Rome. The vestment without seam, of which the present chasuble is magnificent, is at Treves, on the Moselle; and the table on which the Last Supper was laid is preserved at the Church of St. John Lateran, in Rome. The table is made of the plainest wood, and is very much discolored and worm-eaten. There is a curious legend with regard to the body of Pontius Pilate. Pilate's remains to have been thrown into the River Rhone at Vienne. Five hundred years after, when the plague was raging in the place, the pestilence was attributed to the fact of Pilate's bones lying at the bottom of the river. It was determined to search for them. This was done, and tradition tells us that the body of Pilate was found to be in no way decomposed, after the lapse of so many centuries. The body was removed, and was buried in the middle of the marshes, some leagues from the city, and for centuries after groans were heard issuing from the ground at night. Of course, the plague was immediately stayed. It is even claimed that the fact of Pilate's body causing the plague, and its presence in the river, was made known to the Archbishop by a direct revelation from heaven.

The eating of hot cross-buns on Good Friday is one of the many adaptations of pagan rites and customs to the Christian religion. The pagans used once a year to make sacred loaves, which they called boun, (from bous,) on the top of which was stamped a representation of two horns. They were made of fine flour and honey, and were carefully guarded as a means of preservation against evil. Two of these loaves were discovered some years ago in making excavations among the ruins of Herculaneum. They were both marked with a cross, however. The Christian religion kept up the pagan custom, though marking their buns with a cross. They eat some with every outward sign of devotion, and carried some home to be kept all the year as a panacea for many ills and troubles. The eating of hot cross-buns on Good Friday was at one time carried to an extent in England which is astonishing, considering that the buns are neither very inviting or digestible. Howe tells us that it was from the excellence of its hot cross-buns that the celebrated Chelsea Bun-house made its great reputation, and that on Good Friday the proprietor of the shop never could supply the demand. These buns are still a great fact on Good Friday in England; and almost as soon as a child begins to prattle, he can repeat:

One a penny, buns!
Two a penny, buns!
One a penny, two a penny,
Hot cross buns!

The Day in the Roman Catholic Churches.

In all the Catholic churches of the City Holy Thursday was observed, yesterday, with the usual religious services. At the Cathedral solemn high mass was celebrated, and during the service the holy oils were blessed and the Blessed Sacrament was carried in procession from the main altar to the repository on the left aisle. The repository was beautifully illuminated and decorated with flowers, presenting a strongly-marked contrast to the general appearance of mourning which pervaded the entire church. This morning the Cathedral services will commence with the singing of the Passion and the mass of the Presanctified, after which Archbishop McCloskey will preach the Passion sermon. At 4 o'clock the office of the tenebræ will be chanted, and the church will be open during the day for the devotions of the faithful. To-morrow the services will include mass and the singing of the Prophecies, and on Easter Sunday, in sympatuy with the spirit of the Catholic community, the Church will throw off all evidences of mourning, and rejoice in Christ resurrected. To-day the services will be of a very imposing character in all the Roman Catholic churches, particularly St. Stephen's, St. Xavier's, and Barclay-street, where the preparations have been carried out on an elaborate scale.

How the Day Will be Observed in Business Circles.

The business down-town to-day, in consequence of the observance of Good Friday by a large class of the people, will be extremely limited. The business houses and the banks will, of course, be kept open, as Good Friday is not a legal holiday. The Exchanges will, in every instance, be closed. The following is a list of the boards which have voted to observe the day by closing their rooms: The New-York Stock Exchange, the New-York Gold Exchange, the Produce Exchange, the Cotton Exchange, and the Maritime Association. It is probable that even on the Street theatres will be closed at about 1 o'clock in the afternoon. All the State Courts will be closed for the day. The Cotton Exchange will also be closed on Saturday.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Thursday, April 10.

The bill incorporating the village of Addison, Steuben County, was passed.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Perry—To authorize the construction of sewers in the Seventeenth Ward, Brooklyn.

By Mr. D. P. Wood—Prohibiting railroad companies in the City of New-York from depositing snow and ice taken from their tracks in the public street. Also relative to railroad companies.

The bill to abolish the Board of Quarantine was reported adversely, but, on motion of Mr. Murphy, it was referred back.

The special order, the New-York Charter, was taken up, the question being on the motion of Mr. Perry to strike out that portion of the twenty-fifth section retaining the Commissioner of Public Works. It was lost—Yeas 9, nays 15.

The vote to strize out the proposition that the Corporation Counsel be retained, was then called.

Mr. Murphy asked to be excused from voting. He supposed this had now narrowed down to a political question. There were four Republicans now in the offices sought to be declared vacant. The Mayor and Common Council had the power to fill their places, and as there was no chance of their appointing any Democrats to any of these offices, it was a matter of indifference to him and he would, therefore, vote to allow the men in office to serve out the time for which they were elected.

Senator Lord said he was paired with Mr. Winslow on all political questions, and he would refrain from voting.

An extended debate followed between Senators on both sides.

Mr. Lord again arose and remarked that the great Republican Party is split in two, and Senators are divided as to whether this is a political question or not; fearing, however, that it is a party question, he would refrain from voting.

Mr. D. P. Wood said it was a matter of conscience with Mr. Lord and himself, and he should not allow any of the statements made here, as to its being a political question, to affect his voting.

Mr. Woodin said this was the first time he ever heard of the Senate determining for a Senator who was paired whether he should vote or not.

A vote was taken, and Mr.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, APRIL 10.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

2200	Western Union	88¼	800	Pacific Mail	56
2000	do	88¾	500	do	56¼
700	do	88¾	600	do	56¼
900	do	88¾	800	do	56¼
800	do	88¾	800	do	56¼
900	do	88¾	800	do	56¼
900	do	88¾	100	do	56¼
1100	do	88¾	100	do	56¼
300	N. Y. C. & Hud	101¾	600	Erie	55¼
200	do	101¾	300	do	55¼
200	do	101¾	300	do	55¼
1200	do	101¾	300	do	55¼
1200	do	102	200	Union Pacific	34¼
100	do	102¼	100	do	34¼
200	do	102¼	200	do	34¼
200	do	102¼	200	do	34¼
100	do	102¼	200	C., C. & I. C.	20
200	do	102¼	700	St. Paul	59¼
200	do	c.102¼	200	do	59¼
200	Lake Shore	92¼	70	Tol. & Wab	70¼
100	do	92¼	200	Ret. H. & Erie	3¾
100	do	c. 92¼	500	do	3¾
100	do	92¼	100	do	3¾
100	do	92¼	100	Rock Island	c.114
200	Ohio & Miss	c. 45¾	800	do	114¾
100	do	45¾	100	do	c.114¾
100	do	b5. 45¾	100	do	114¾

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10¾ A. M.

$6,000	U.S.6s '81, C.ext.	120¾	
2,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '67	118¾	
5,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '65	118¾	
10,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '65	117¾	
$1,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '67	119¾	
500	U. S. 5-20 C. '67	119¾	
7,500	do	c. 118¾	
5	do	118¾	
1,000	U. S. 10-40 R.	111¾	

FIRST BOARD—10¾ A. M.

60,000	Tenn. 6s, new	79½	200	Erie R	b.c.o. 55¼
1,000	Georgia 7s	90	200	do	55¼
2,000	Mo. 6s, R. & St. J.		200	do	b3. 55¼
	do Issue	c. 90¾	200	do	55¼
27,000	Missouri 6s	94	100	do	55¼
1,000	R. St. P. 7s, 1st Mtg.		200	do	55¼
	do	106¼	14	C., C., C. & Ind	85
1,000	Erie 2d	95¾	100	Panama	b.c.108
7,000	Un. Pac. 1st	86¼	100	do	c.107¾
12,000	do	86¼	200	do	107¾
1,000	Un. P., Sa, L.G.Gt.	73¾	100	do	107¾
5,000	do	73¾	1,200	N.Y.C.& H.b.c.e.	102¾
2,000	U. P. 10s, Inc.	73¾	100	do	b3. 102¼
5,000	do	73¾	200	do	102¾
5,000	do	73¾	100	do	c.102¾
3,000	Cal. W. Western 2d	85¾	200	do	102¾
1,000	Chi., R. I. & P. 7s	103¾	100	do	c.102¾
1,000	A. & T. H. Inc.	81	300	do	102¾
2,000	St. L. & I. M. 1st	95¼	1,700	do	102¾
1,000	do	95¾	1,000	do	102¾
3,000	Mil. St. P.		1,625	do	102¾
10,000	Tol., Peo. & W.	89¼	600	do	c.102¾
	1st. R. Div	89¼	1,800	do	102¾
10,000	Rock Isl. 6s	102¾	200	do	102¾
2,000	P. F. W. & C. 2d	90	100	do	c.102¾
	Coml. Bank		600	do	102¾
	Fourth Nat. Bk	110	100	do	102¾
	M. & M. Ins. Co.	99½	100	do	102¾
20	M. & M. Ins. Co.	99	100	C. & R. guar. b.s.	89
1	Northern Pk.		100	Ch. & R. I.	b.c. 114¾
100	U. S. Express	c. 75	300	do	c.114¾
200	Amer. Ex.	b.c. 66¾	200	do	114¾
100	do	66¾	100	do	c.114¾
200	Harlem	b.c.127	100	do	114¾
100	do	127	200	do	114¾
200	do	126¾	400	do	114¾
100	do	127	200	I. S. & M. So	22¼
100	W. U. Tel.	b.c. 85¾	100	do	b.c. 22¼
100	do	86¼	200	do	22¼
200	do	86¼	100	do	22¼
100	do	86¼	100	do	22¼
100	do	86¼	100	do	22¼
100	do	86¾	100	do	22¼
1500	do	86¾	50	do	22¼
1000	do	86¾	200	do	22¼
100	do	86¾	200	do	c. 22¼
100	do	86¾	200	N. J. Central	c. 92¼
100	do	86¾	100	do	92¼
200	do	86¾	200	do	b.c. 92¼
100	do	87	300	do	92¼
100	do	87	100	do	92¼
100	do	87¼	100	do	92¼
200	do	87¼	100	do	92¼
200	do	87¼	200	Mil. & St. P.	74¾
100	do	87¼	250	Mil. & St. P. P.	87¾
200	do	b.c. 87¼	200	do	b.c. 87¾
100	do	87¼	200	do	87¾
100	do	87¼	200	do	87¾
100	do	87¼	200	do

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Amusements This Evening.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—DAVID GARRICK AND Lord Dundreary.—Mr. E. A. Sothern, Miss Kate Reignolds.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—OLD HEADS AND Young Hearts.—Mr. Geo. Clarke, Miss Fanny Davenport.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—HUMPTY DUMPTY.—Mr. Geo. L. Fox, Mr. C. W. Naval, Miss Fanny Bonner.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—UNCLE SAM.—Mr. John Brougham, Mrs. John Wood.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—DADDY O'DOWD.—Mr. Dion Boucicault, Miss Rose Coghlan.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—THE SCOUT OF THE PRAIRIE.—Mr. W. F. Cody, Mlle. Morlacchi.

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In reply to the letter of Mr. MEDILL, resigning his position as member of the Civil Service Commission, the President repeats his pledge that the spirit of the civil service rules will be strictly adhered to. This renewed declaration is significant, in view of Mr. CURTIS' recent letter. It adds one more to the many occasions which the President has taken to commit himself to the reform. We are bound to say that no case has yet been made known where the President has ignored or evaded the rules in any department to which they apply. Should such a case appear, the judgment of the supporters of the President will be clearly and unmistakably given. They will decline, however, to condemn the President in advance of the fact.

The State Senate has recently been fortunate in its mentors. Not only has Mr. GARRETT M. VAN NORT favored the Senate with the benefit of his extended experience of administrative business, but Mr. E. JONES, the Ring stationer, and Mr. BEN WOOD have been prodigal of their counsel about the fuel wants of the City of New-York. We can partly guess what branch of the public interest Mr. VAN NORT has been concerned about, and the favored stationer of the days before TWEED went into the business himself has claims of a tolerably notorious character upon legislative attention. But whence comes Mr. BEN WOOD's feverish interest in the squabble over the distribution of local offices? Does he want to be made Commissioner of Accounts or editor of the *City Record*?

In view of the fearful rates of interest recently paid in Wall-street, and in view of the reported plan of enforcing the Usury laws, it is interesting to learn what rates are sometimes paid for considerable times. Messrs. TANNER & Co., of this City, yesterday asked for an injunction restraining one P. A. H. JACKSON, a broker, from selling collaterals for two loans, amounting to $150,000. These were made about a year since, (March 18 and April 2, 1872,) and the plaintiffs aver they have since paid the defendant usury in all amounting to $102,744, in the nature of interest. This is at the rate of over forty per cent. per annum. The injunction was asked, and temporarily granted, on the ground that the rate was usurious. This is the first conspicuous case in a long time of the use of the plea of usury, to avoid the payment of a Wall-street debt. These have been uniformly regarded as debts of honor. Gambling debts they unquestionably are.

It appears that the Government is now nearly ready to grapple in earnest with the Credit Mobilier. Its counsel are prepared to commence a suit in equity that must bring to adjudication the exact rights and wrongs of that famous corporation. This is a step which is logical, practical, and proper. But it is a striking commentary on the policy of intrusting Congress with great enterprises, that its first effort in that direction has resulted in loss, degradation, and confusion, and is only now on the verge of judicial investigation. Plainly, it is a business Congress is not fit for.

With the close of Winter, frontier settlers naturally inform us that the Indians are preparing for war. This time it is the Arrapahoes and Cheyennes, on the Kansas borders, who are about to disturb the peace, and we are told that the Government is reinforcing the forts in the threatened region. While taking this precaution, it would not be amiss for the Government to also discover what the whites have done to provoke hostilities. Indians in Kansas are not likely to take the risks of war without being provoked to it, and the peace policy of the President has hitherto failed in a single case that it certainly can be made so in all cases by proper management. We now know that the Modoc troubles might have been avoided, and there is no reason why a more extended Indian outbreak should not be averted. By steady adherence to the policy of pacification, we do not doubt that quiet may be maintained, and, while taking proper precautionary measures for the protection of settlers, the Government will be expected to abstain from coercion until persuasion has been found fruitless.

That there are two sides to the postal-car question, was clearly shown yesterday by the statements of Mr. DAVIS, of the Post-office Department, before the Senate Committee. His facts and figures raise some doubts whether the railway companies have suffered any hardships heretofore, or that they are likely to suffer under the new schedule established by Congress. The law, it is admitted, was not made after consultation with the companies, and Mr. DAVIS gives what appears to be the very forcible reason that their claims alone would exceed all the appropriations made for the postal service. While the companies have been taking great credit for running these cars as a matter of public accommodation, it is difficult to see that they have not been adequately compensated, or that they will not be under the new rates. There is no disposition, however, to do the companies any injustice, and public judgment will not be made up except upon a knowledge of all the facts. It is this judgment which in the end will be more potent in the settlement of the dispute than any official and temporary decision which may now be made.

A Chance for the Assembly.

It is rather more than a month since the New-York charter was sent from the Assembly to the Senate. In common with the mass of local Reformers, we looked to the Upper House of the Legislature to remedy the cardinal defect of the Assembly bill in regard to the disposal of the appointing power, and to amend some other obvious defects of the measure considered as a comprehensive scheme of local administration. The net result of some five weeks of Senatorial wrangling now returns to the Assembly in the shape of a mass of holes and patches, whose significance is hardly understood by those who put them there, and whose relevancy to the wants of City legislation nobody is likely to perceive. Thanks to the painstaking criticism of Mr. EATON, the Senate bill has been shorn of a good many verbal inconsistencies and contradictions which were left in it by the Assembly. The much-debated twenty-fifth section has also assumed a form more in harmony with the constitutional forms of republican government. Beyond this, the Senate has touched nothing in the charter which it has not marred. That legislative fifth wheel, the useless and expensive Board of Assistant Aldermen, has been stuck on again; a proviso of very questionable constitutionality, and by no means doubtful unwisdom, has been inserted in regard to judicial salaries; the powers of the Department of Public Works have not been lessened, and the "one-man power" is left untouched in that overgrown product of the ingenuity of TWEED. Then, on restoring his legitimate authority to the Mayor, his hands have been tied by legislating five officers into their places without asking either his concurrence or that of the Board of Aldermen. Some of these five officials, the tax-payers would, doubtless, be glad to retain; others they are pretty nearly united in desiring to get rid of.

The principle of the charter was the restoration to the City of the right of self-government. That principle has been ostentatiously set aside by the selection of local officials by a body whose members cannot be held responsible for the character of their choice. The Republican Party set about framing a new charter on the ground that honesty and ability of administration were conspicuous by their absence in many of our local departments. If anybody cares to claim credit for the party because of their faithful adhesion to this idea, his political opponents can very readily silence him by a casual reference to "HANK" SMITH.

It is the obvious duty of the Assembly to refuse to concur in the bill as it comes to them from the Senate. A Conference Committee could not possibly make it a measure more thoroughly distasteful to every respectable citizen than it is now. Such a committee could save the party from the result of the partisan jobbery in the Senate, and could avert from the citizens of New-York the disgrace of having a confessed defaulter at the head of their Police Department. We know there are members of the Lower House quite ready and competent to take up the eloquent protests of Senators D. P. WOOD and LOWERY from where they have fallen unheeded. We certainly should not like to face a new Reform campaign with the speeches of Senator WOODIN and the votes which followed them standing against the party record. There are men in the Assembly whose political future depends upon an honest settlement of this charter question, and an honest fulfillment of the pledges with which it is bound up. Were it on no higher ground than this, we trust that the opportunity will not be allowed to slip.

The Census Charts of Disease.

One of the most interesting and ingenious things ever published in the field of statistics, are the charts of mortality from various diseases in the United States, issued in the second volume of the *Ninth Census*. The object of these maps is to show, in distinct colors, the relative mortality from various diseases in different parts of the country. The first chart, which will be of great interest to all the inhabitants of the Northern States, is that of the "mortality from consumption," that great scourge of this country. The highest average of death, that is, of over 2,600 in 10,000, is indicated by a bright blue color, numbered as the fifth grade. A little lighter shade of blue, or the fourth grade, indicates an average of from 1,400 to 2,000 deaths; the third grade shows from 900 to 1,400. The first grade is from 250 to 550, and a band of pure white indicates an average of under 200 deaths from consumption in 10,000.

To the surprise of most who study this interesting chart, the deepest blue, or the fifth grade, is not confined to the Eastern States. It is true that nearly all of Maine, all of New-Hampshire, the northern part of Vermont, the greater part of Massachusetts, and almost all of Rhode Island, the north-eastern portion of Connecticut, are in the fifth grade, and show the terrible average of over one-fifth of the deaths to be from consumption. But this fatal color appears again in North-western New-York, on the borders of Lake Ontario, on the St. Lawrence. It crops out in Eastern New-Jersey; it forms a kind of dark island about the upper waters of the Ohio; it is seen again in a singular band running through Southern Ohio, Northern Kentucky, and South-eastern Indiana. It is found to cover even the eastern portion of Tennessee, and a part of Middle Tennessee. It is not once seen in the North-western States, or in the Southern. The next grade of color, however, shewing a formidable average of deaths, of from 1,400 to 2,000 is found largely over the West and North-west. It occupies a large part of the peninsula of Michigan, it includes a considerable portion of Southern Wisconsin, of Northern Illinois, and Eastern Iowa. It appears again in Central Indiana, in Central Ohio, in Tennessee, and Western Virginia, and covers the greater part of the Middle States, except Pennsylvania. Even Eastern Virginia shows this fatal average. The only portions of the Union with a perfectly white record with regard to this disease—that is, showing an average of from 250 to 550—are Northern Minnesota, Northern Wisconsin, and North-eastern Michigan, (though the freedom of this latter district may be due to scarcity of population.) A purely white spot is seen also in South-western Virginia, in Western North Carolina, in the middle of Georgia, and in Southern Florida. The next highest grade, representing freedom from this disease, is found in the Adirondack region in New-York, and nowhere else in the Northern, Middle, or Western States, but comes forth again in the extreme South, a broad belt of faint blue, especially in Louisiana and Texas. The large cities stand somewhat favorably in regard to this disease, New-York and the southern part of Westchester County ranking with Newport, and New-Orleans, and Chicago, even, in the third grade; and Boston, with its east winds, not lower than the fourth grade. It will surprise many that the most fatal grade—the fifth—is found on the coast in California, north of San Francisco, though Southern California and the Sierras indicate a remarkable exemption from this disease.

If we turn to the chart of the "malarial diseases," we find the shading of the localities reversed from that which we have just examined. The north is white and the south dark. The New-England and Middle States offer almost a pure white, while the greater portion of Virginia and Western Virginia presents the same cheerful color. The extreme North-west again is white, that is, showing an average of less than 100 in 10,000 deaths from this cause. Where was the greatest mortality from consumption, there appears the least from malarial diseases, and the reverse is usually true. The deepest grade of color in this chart is found in South Carolina, Florida, and Texas, indicating an average mortality of over 1,400 to 10,000. The Central West appears better on this chart than might have been expected, generally showing the same grade of color with Maryland and Delaware, and the same which appears in Brooklyn and western Long Island, and in the adjacent region of New-Jersey; that is, the first grade or an average of from 100 to 250. New-York City appears to stand with Boston and the remote North-west in freedom from this scourge.

If we now examine the chart for "enteric and typhus fevers," we find the deepest color, or the fatal average of over 2,000, only reached once in the United States—in South-eastern Georgia. The fourth grade is only found in a few small districts in the Union—in Upper Mississippi, in Missouri, and, singularly enough, in the central part of Minnesota. The healthiest States in regard to these diseases appear to be New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Tennessee, the upper parts of Missouri, and Illinois. The northern part of the New-England States, and a portion of the central West, show a worse condition of these diseases than New-York State, a large portion of this State being in the first grade, or having an average of from 250 to 550 in 10,000 deaths. In the chart of "intestinal diseases," the lowest grade is reached but once in Mississippi; the highest is found in Maine, Tennessee, and Missouri. New-York City and Brooklyn reach in this a low grade, showing an average of from 900 to 1,400, which is lower than in almost any other portion of the country.

The general result from these interesting charts is, that the healthiest portion of the country is that central region, stretching through West Virginia and Tennessee, into Upper Missouri, along with the extreme North-west, on the borders of Lake Superior. Our own State, however, and our City, present in all these charts, with the exception of the last, a very high average grade of health. The great mortality from intestinal diseases in this City is undoubtedly due to local causes, which can be removed.

A Polygamic Pilgrim.

For forty-one years BRIGHAM YOUNG has lived and married among the Mormons. For twenty-nine years he has been the despotic ruler and high priest of the Mormon Church and State. Now that he has reached his seventy-second year, he regards himself as entitled to lay aside the cares of government, and to retire to such private life as a man with sixteen wives and sixty children can command. Accordingly, he has resigned all his offices of profit and trust in the Mormon hierarchy, and has announced his intention to withdraw from Salt Lake City, and to seek the seclusion of the Arizona wilderneeses.

That after his resignation he should leave a region where United States courts can claim and enforce jurisdiction over him was to have been expected. Not only is he liable to arrest on account of the possession of a trifling superfluity of wives, but he is suspected and openly charged with complicity in the crimes that have from time to time been perpetrated by the Danites and other unscrupulous servants of the fanatical hierarchy over which he has so long presided. As the head of the Mormon commonwealth, he has hitherto felt able to defy his Gentile persecutors. As a mere private polygamist, he probably dreads the visit of the avenging sheriff. He has, therefore, decided to depart to a region where sheriffs never come, and where United States courts and their unsanctified marshals will not care to pursue him.

His selection of Arizona as a proper place of retreat, shows his full appreciation of the popular estimate in which he and his practices are held. He could not find in any civilized community that peace of which he is in search. Since public opinion is adverse to polygamy, no man accompanied by sixteen wives could obtain admittance to any reputable hotel. Moreover, the most genial of hotel-keepers would protest against an avalanche of sixty simultaneous children. No respectable boarding-house keeper would consent that her advertisement of "pleasant accommodations for a gentleman and his wife" should be construed to apply to a husband whose wife was subdivided into sixteen distinct individualities; neither would a willingness on the landlady's part to overlook the existence of a moderate number of children among her boarders extend to the exposure of her furniture to the ravages of a sixty-fold offspring, eager to avail themselves of the novel privilege of sliding down unfamiliar banisters, and of making forays in overwhelming force upon the helpless domestic cat. Obviously, BRIGHAM YOUNG could find no rest for himself and his family in the hotels and boarding-houses of civilization, but, like an aged and adipose raven, would be compelled to fly to and fro in express-trains and steam-boats over the surface of the earth, expending enormous sums in the purchase of tickets for his wives, and of incidental pea-nuts and candy for his little ones. Under these circumstances, Arizona is the only place in the domain of the United States where he can pass his remaining days in peace, and in the extensive and various bosom of his family. We may, therefore, soon expect to hear of his departure from Salt Lake City at the head of a caravan destined for the most inaccessible part of Arizona; his better half accompanying him in eight commodious ox-carts, and his children packed upon sixty peaceful mules. In the quiet of the Arizona desert, where wives will pine in vain for bonnets, and where children will grow up ignorant of jackets and boots, the venerable prophet will practice polygamy and economy, with none to molest him or to interfere in his domestic discipline. Of course, his sixteen mothers-in-law will not be permitted to share his retirement, and any wife who entertains doubts of his priestly pretensions will be divorced before he departs from Salt Lake City. Thus will he secure the quiet of his declining years, and enable himself, like another *Montague Tigg*, to sit upon a domestic tripod and prophesy to a perfectly unlimited extent, without the slightest fear of irreverent contradiction.

Plans of the Ice Companies.

Once more the ice companies of this City have concluded that their profits are too insignificant, and that there is an "urgens" necessity for the formation of a combination to increase the prices. The reasons given for the adoption of this course are: First—That during the past two years neither the supply companies nor the dealers have been enabled to "make anything," because of the extremely low rates. Second—That one company has been obliged to cut a channel through the ice, nine miles long and 150 feet wide, in order to connect the field with the shipping point; that another company has had to remove, "by the slow process of planing," six inches of snow-ice from the top of the "good ice," and that a third had to expend $31,000 to replace horses killed by excessive heat. Third—That the unusual weather of last season caused so great a consumption that the whole reserve supply was exhausted. Fourth—That in consequence of Germany having had an "open Winter," she is obliged to look to this country for ice.

The first and chief reason for an increase of rates the companies admit is, that the dividends on their capital stock are not large enough, and, in proof of this, the fact is set forward that in 1870 the wholesale price was from $16 to $17 per ton, while it is now down as low as $2. A jump from $17 to $10, or even $8, they say, might possibly leave a slight margin for profit, but to $2 none whatever. It will be observed that there is nothing said as to a shortness in the harvesting. On the contrary, it is acknowledged that the amount stored is five per cent. greater than last year. The increase in the cost of harvesting not being of itself considered a sufficient reason to warrant a departure from the basis of 1872, the companies back it up with the extremely slender argument that an "open Winter in Germany" will create a new market, to supply which will cause a scarcity. The German steamers, they add, have already taken ice from this side of the Atlantic to be used on the return voyage. Now it would be difficult to conceive of anything more foolish than to threaten the people of New-York with the consequences of a "German ice famine." It might be well enough to claim that the steamers sailing between this port and Bremen would have to purchase their ice here, but anybody who knows anything of the value of money and food supplies and luxuries in Germany will be able to appreciate the utter weakness of the assumption that, under any circumstances, the residents of that country would look to America for a supply of ice.

The fact, of course, has not been forgotten that the reduction in prices made subsequent to 1870 are, in a great measure, if not entirely, due to the organization of the Consumers' Ice Company by our principal hotel-keepers. Had this company not been established, the monopolies that caused so much suffering to the poor, and that so largely increased household expenses, would have continued to become more and more grasping. The rebellion of the hotel-keepers at first gave promise of keeping them well in check: but we regret to say, after one season, the fight was not maintained with the vigor that was expected. Apathy on the part of the general consumers certainly had a good deal to do with the loss of energy. Beyond the hotel-keepers there was not enough interest manifested to render the opposition what it should have been. House-keepers only desired to procure their supplies at a reasonable cost, and if they succeeded in doing that it mattered very little to them with whom they dealt. The immediate effect of this apathy was to make the Consumers' Company a sort of co-operative concern, worked for the benefit of a few persons. For the coming season it has put in store some 66,000 tons, while the Knickerbocker Company has put in 600,000 tons, and the Washington 250,000. The old companies know that comparatively nothing can be done to injure them with such a small stock as 66,000 tons, and very shrewdly calculate that an advance in rates may be made with perfect safety.

However, before taking a step that they may hereafter have occasion to very bitterly repent, it would be advisable for the directors to reflect a little. If they decide to take advantage of the comparatively helpless condition of the Consumers' Company, they will very probably next year be made to suffer for it. It does not at all follow that because the general consumers have forgiven them once that they will be willing to do it a second time. If there was enough vigor in the hotel-keepers to enable them to form a protective company, surely there are other business men who will go and do likewise? A few consumers' companies would be sufficient to supply the entire City, and the Knickerbocker and Washington concerns would, in that event, be left, to depend exclusively upon the chance of an "open Winter in Germany" or Sweden to get rid of future harvests.

Life-Boat Service.

The frightful disaster at Mars Head naturally directs attention to the facilities for rescue from the shore available in similar catastrophes which may be likely to recur hereafter. In the case of the *Atlantic*, the means of rescue were limited to two or three chance fishing-boats hastily summoned to the scene, and manned by volunteer crews who, whatever their zeal and good-will, lacked much of the efficiency which only discipline and organization can give. Had there been a trained and experienced life-boat service at hand, there is little doubt that many lives would have been saved whose loss we now vainly mourn. The coast on whose cruel rocks the *Atlantic* went to pieces so swiftly, is well known to be of the most dangerous character, the very spot for a life-boat station. That there was none is due to the disregard which has long been exhibited on this side of the ocean for that particular means of saving life.

In England, a movement begun in this direction some fifty years ago, took shape at last in a society called the National Life-boat Institution, whose stations now dot all the English coast. It is supported, we believe, entirely by voluntary subscriptions, and the extent of its usefulness may be estimated from the results of its labors during a single year. The report for 1872 shows that the boats of the institution were instrumental in rescuing 569 lives, besides saving twenty-five vessels, with their crews, from destruction. This was done at an expenditure of about £23,000, the total receipts for the year being a little over £27,000. In the expenses were included £3,000 dispensed in rewards for saving life, and in aid to bereaved families.

That is surely an exhibit which must bring a thrill of pride and thankfulness to every one whose mite has contributed to the success of this noble undertaking. A like enterprise here—not national, for charity should scorn such narrow limits—but continental in its scope, to which the people of British America should contribute with our own, might speedily attain efficiency as great, and results not less gratifying. Or, if that be impracticable, the Humane Society which was suggested in THE TIMES, and whose formation we believe has been actually begun, might properly include a life-boat service within the sphere of its operations. Of course, on a coast so extended as our own, complete provision of life-saving apparatus would be almost out of the question, and the plain course for any such private organization as we have indicated would be to confine its care to the more dangerous points or to such spots as the Government Coast-guard had left comparatively undefended.

It may be objected that the proper course in this matter is not to supply means of lessening the dangers of shipwreck, but to take precautions against the occurrence of shipwreck at all. That, too, is needful, as we have not failed to enforce. Laws should be passed restricting the construction of passenger-carrying ships on models which almost invite destruction, and, generally, a much more rigid attention should be paid to the seaworthiness of all ocean-going vessels. The startling charges which Mr. PLIMSOLL makes in his late book, of the rottenness of many vessels in the British carrying trade, especially among the coasters, we might, perhaps, find applicable nearer home. At any rate, it is evident that a much stricter inspection and supervision of vessels, more particularly those in the passenger-carrying service, is imperatively demanded. But no amount of caution or foresight will entirely prevent accident, and no amount of watchfulness can outwit the cunning of that merciless greed which makes accident inevitable. A month from now the fate of the *Atlantic* will be almost forgotten, and the same causes which helped to destroy her will be driving some other gallant vessel to destruction.

While, therefore, we strive to diminish the chances of shipwreck, let us not omit to do all in our power to lessen the fatality of shipwreck as well. Death seldom comes in any shape more terrible or more impressive to the imagination and the sympathies of men, and there are few who do not feel, after such a catastrophe as the loss of the *Atlantic*, that all the treasures of the earth might be freely bartered for only a single one of the lives ingulfed. Organization such as we have indicated will achieve the end at a trifling expense, and for each fellow-creature snatched from the pitiless waves, the subscriber who furnishes the means may nourish as just an impulse of generous pride as the actual agent of the rescue.

A New Russian Exploring Expedition.

Not to be outdone by England in the great scheme of geographical research, Russia is about to undertake an important exploration. The Imperial Russian Geographical Society, through its council, have projected this scientific movement toward the ice-fringed shores of Northern Siberia. The expedition, under the command of Mr. A. TSCHEKANOWSKI, an old Siberian traveler, has already set out in sledges from Irkutsk, and will be gone two years. After the opening of the Lena, Obi, and other rivers that empty into the Arctic Ocean, the party will strike northward along the Tunguska, a branch of the Upper Yenisei, and pursue its melting waters to the far north till they are lost in the Polar basin. The expedition will also thoroughly survey that vast *terra incognita* which skirts the frozen ocean, and off which lie the New Siberian Islands. It will return in 1874 along the valley of the Lena and by way of Yakutsk—the famous pole of greatest cold—and examine the wild Arctic wastes of Siberia in their various physical relations. This dark and forbidding region is said to be highly interesting in a geological point of view, and excited the desire of ALEXANDER VON HUMBOLDT to explore it in his best days.

The remarkable mineral wealth of Siberia has long been known, and as nature seems to make a kind of equitable apportionment of her blessings to different sections of the globe, it is believed that in the higher portions of unexplored Siberia there are to be found mines of surpassing value, and not incomparable with the jasper quarries, the porphyries, and other precious deposits of Western Siberia. The auriferous wealth of this barren and frost-blasted soil; its silver and other metallic treasures; its graphite and lignite beds, (the latter rich in coals of a later origin than any of the anthracite or bituminous kind,) have already been strongly indicated by the preliminary explorations of SIDOROW, LOPATIN, SCHMIDT, and others. It would seem, therefore, that the Russians, in their scientific zeal, have not forgotten the practical and the pecuniary returns which geographical adventures seldom make. Whether they stumble upon new Siberian El Dorados or not, the observations upon the extreme temperatures, and other meteorology of Northern Siberia, will be of immense value to science, as furnishing a long-needed guide to unfolding the climatology of Northern Asia, and other sections of the great continent. As the expedition goes fully equipped and amply sustained, we may expect interesting results from its labors.

MINOR TOPICS.

The sentence of twenty years in the State Prison which Recorder HACKETT has just pronounced in the case of the notorious highway robber, PAUL MURPHY, will, without doubt, have the effect of rendering the streets less dangerous than they have been within the past few months. MURPHY was found guilty of having robbed a stranger named NORTH while the latter was walking along Tenth avenue. He first endeavored to induce him to part with the care of a carpet-bag, but, having failed in that plan, adopted the bolder one of knocking his man down. The Recorder took occasion, in passing sentence, to refer to the frequency of the crime of highway robbery, and to warn those who may in future be found guilty of it that they will be punished to the utmost extent the law will permit. A man named MICHAEL CANNON was sentenced at the same session to a similar period for having assaulted and robbed a Mrs. DOTY, of the St. James Hotel. District-Attorney PHELPS is certainly entitled to public thanks for the vigor he has shown in bringing evil-doers to justice. It is pleasant to think that we have at last secured a District-Attorney who finds no use for "pigeon-holes."

Persons who have witnessed the working of the admirable plan for keeping the hackmen in order at the Grand Central Depot must be rather at a loss to understand why it has not been adopted at all the passenger landing-places in the City. At the principal ferry-houses on the North River, the scenes that occur on arrival of boats that connect with trains at Communipaw, Hoboken, and Jersey City are most disgraceful. The hackmen crowd about the gates, and annoy passengers with questions until it becomes intolerable. Failing of success, they indulge in coarse taunts toward each other. Policemen seldom interfere with them, and, for that matter, are seldom present at the gates after 9 o'clock at night. Surely the Police Commissioners ought to put an end to the nuisance referred to, when they can do it so easily by providing for a general adoption of the plan which has proved so effective at the Grand Central Depot.

The recklessness of the rock-blasters in the upper part of the City resulted, on Wednesday, in an accident that caused the death of one man and the fatal wounding of a second. The victims were engaged in loading a drill-hole in a rock which barred the way of the laborers employed in sinking the track of the Harlem Railroad at Ninety-second-street. The rock-blasters at work along the line of the Grand Boulevard have lately been attracting a good deal of attention, in consequence of their carelessness in using powder and fuse. In one instance a man was seen smoking with an open pipe while loading, and that he lighted the fuse was started with fire from a pipe. Under the circumstances, it is really a matter for surprise that accidents have been so few. It is to be hoped that the fate of the two men injured to-day will have the effect of making the Boulevard blasters more careful.

On Wednesday three buildings in process of erection in the upper part of the City fell to the ground. Fortunately, the workmen were temporarily absent, so that no lives were lost. On the same day a block of new and unfinished buildings in New-Haven gave way, and buried a number of workmen. Five dead bodies and several maimed and bruised men were subsequently taken from the ruins. In both these cases the cause of the catastrophe was the same. Thin brick walls were erected upon foundations laid during the Winter. The frost coming out of the ground, these foundations were thrown out of the perpendicular, and the buildings consequently fell. How long will reckless builders be permitted to incur the risk of laying foundations upon frozen ground? How long will these same men, when lives are lost by their recklessness, be permitted to go unpunished?

Massachusetts is dissatisfied with the conduct of her hens, who persist in laying eggs differing from one another in size, and thereby enabling the astute egg-dealer to sell a dozen very small eggs for the same price that a duller rival would ask for a dozen large eggs. This state of things has long been a grievance to the Massachusetts person, not only because it rendered him liable to be cheated, but because it was a matter in which, owing to the unwillingness of the hens to listen to argument, he could not enjoy the bliss of meddling. However, the wisdom of Massachusetts legislators has just hit upon a solution of the difficulty. A law has been passed directing that eggs shall hereafter be sold by weight, instead of by the dozen. The hens may now do their worst, but the Massachusetts egg-buyer can no longer be defrauded, except by his own consent.

A few philanthropic ladies and gentlemen are at present engaged in seeking public assistance to enable them to build a substantial home and registry office for female servants at Montreal. A Miss JERVEY has presided over an establishment of this character for upward of twenty years, but it has never been large enough to afford shelter for all who would use it. A lot of land upon which to erect the new institution has already been purchased, and the subscription movement gives promise of being successful. In this City such an institution would be of great benefit to housekeepers, if conducted in a proper manner. One of the most demoralizing places imaginable is the servants' lodging-house. There they first acquire the habit of whisky-drinking, and there they make the acquaintance of those persons who drive them to ruin. In a home of the nature of the one in contemplation at Montreal evil influences could not reach young girls. By its agency the old case-hardened servants would be classed by themselves, and permanently prevented from imposing upon housekeepers.

AMUSEMENTS.

Miss Mehlig's Matinees.

The first of Miss Mehlig's two matinées may be attended at Steinway Hall, to-morrow. The lady needs no introduction to our readers; she is a most intelligent reader, and a finished executant. The programme she will interpret is as follows:

Preludium and Fugue, E minor	Mendelssohn
Fantaisie, C	Haydn
Scherzo, A flat	Weber
Etude Mignon	Fr. Schubert
Sonata, B flat minor, Op. 35	Chopin
Novelette, D major	Schumann
Impromptu, A flat	Schubert
Walderrauschen	Liszt
Gnomenreigen	
Soirées de Vienne, (after Strauss)	Tausig

Mr. Cassell's Mission.

At the dinner given Hon. A. G. Cassell by the national bank Presidents at Philadelphia, Wednesday evening, he said:

The object of my mission abroad is known to you all. It is to facilitate and further as best I can the refunding of our national debt at a lower rate of interest than that now authorized, thus removing to this extent the burdens from the shoulders of a heavily-taxed but patient people. Of course you know that the arrangements for carrying on this work have been made by an agreement between our Government and a syndicate composed of the most eminent and responsible bankers of our own country and of Europe. The parties to this syndicate are Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co., representing Messrs. H. M. Rothschild & Sons, Messrs. Jay Cooke, McCulloch & Co., and themselves, for one-half, and Messrs. L. P. Morton and J. P. Morton, representing Messrs. Baring, Bros. & Co., Messrs. J. S. Morgan & Co., Messrs. Morton, Rose & Co., Messrs. Drexel, Morgan & Co., and Messrs. Morton, Bliss & Co., for the other half; an association of capital and talent for the accomplishment of a financial measure that is without parallel in the history of the world. The work contemplated will be performed chiefly by these gentlemen. My duty is simply to render them such aid, under the direction of my Government, as will facilitate their work and insure success. Already, under the management of Mr. Richardson, $100,000,000 of six per cents. have been exchanged for five per cent. bonds, thus making an annual saving of $2,000,000 in interest. And I see no good reason why the funding shall not continue at this or even at a less rate of interest; for why should not the credit of our Government be as good if not better than any in the world? Our Mother is a continent, with boundless resources, agricultural, mineral, and industrial combined, and with the industry and energy of the people, its glorious form of government surely enables it to rank among the foremost nations of the earth, and the rapidity with which its great war debt has been reduced should as surely establish for it a credit second to that of no other nation on the globe.

The Transportation Question.

CHICAGO, April 10.—A meeting of the representatives of Illinois railroads was held at the Sherman House to-day to discuss the transportation question, and see what action was best to be taken relative to the legislation proposed in the bill introduced in the Senate by Mr. Donahoe.

After a protracted session, from which reporters were excluded, the meeting adjourned without coming to any agreement.

President Newell, of the Illinois Central, occupied the chair.

It was shown that during the past year the North and South lines had a decrease in their business of about seventeen per cent., and it was proposed to make the compromise raise the same as the local rates, and thus bring up business. This was objected to by C. W. Smith, general manager of the Indianapolis, Bloomington, and Western Railroad, and the representatives of other East and West lines. These latter reach the sea-board markets by shorter lines than the other, and are necessarily benefited by the present arrangement. Their refusal to come into an arrangement for an advance of through rates defeated the object of those who called the meeting.

Union of the New-York and Western Tract Societies.

CINCINNATI, April 10.—The American Tract Society, of New-York, and the Western Tract and Book Society, of Cincinnati, have united. Hereafter, there will be only one depository in Cincinnati, whose field consists of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee. The funds contributed in future will go to the general benevolent fund, and one-tenth of all the American Tract Society gives away will be used in Cincinnati's field. The rehearsals for the musical festival, to commence on the 6th of May, are now held frequently, and are of the most satisfactory character. Workmen are busily engaged getting the Exposition Hall in readiness for the great musical event.

ALBANY.

Passage of the Charter in the Senate—Five of the Present Heads of Departments Retained.

From Our Special Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, April 10, 1873.

The Senate went straight to work this morning, and opened business with a vote on the motion to strike from the twenty-seventh section the name of Commissioner Van Nort; this being the division of the question called for by Mr. Perry, of Mr. D. P. Wood's motion to strike out the four names contained in it. The debate which took place during the whole morning was almost exclusively in explanation of votes. Mr. Palmer led off by explaining that while he was in favor of making a clean sweep, this bill retained the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and no one had proposed to turn them out. If any officers were to be retained, he would vote for as many Democrats as Republicans, and in that view would vote against the motion to strike out. Mr. Lord's name being called, he asked to be excused from voting, on the ground that he had paired off with Mr. Winslow, and could not vote on any political question. He was excused, and Mr. Van Nort was retained by the following vote:

YEAS—Allen, Cook, Foster, Harrower, Johnson, Lowery, O'Brien, Tiemann, D. P. Wood—9.

NAYS—Adams, Baker, Benedict, Bowen, Chatfield, Dickinson, Graham, Lewis, McGowan, Madden, Palmer, Perry, Robertson, Wagner, Weismann, J. Wood, Woodin—16.

The Corporation Counsel was the next official whose fate was to be decided. Mr. Murphy, excusing himself from voting, explained that the object of the amendment was to give the Mayor and Common Council opportunity to appoint this officer, and it did not meet with his approval. He objected to it simply on grounds of principle, for under any circumstances he did not think the Democratic Party would be represented in the matter; but, to be consistent, he should vote in the negative. Mr. Johnson thought that, as far as he knew or had heard, the present Counsel was a man of ability, and as some one not so unobjectionable might be appointed in his place, he should vote no. Mr. D. P. Wood called for the name of Mr. Lord, and Mr. Madden moved to excuse him, as he had paired off. Here started quite an animated discussion whether this was or was not a party question, and consequently whether Mr. Lord might give his vote. Mr. D. P. Wood strenuously contended that the action of the Republican caucus had decided that the charter should not be considered as a party instrument. It was unanimously put to Mr. Lord himself whether he would vote or not, and he decided to remain silent. The vote was the same as the last, except that Palmer voted in the affirmative, making the number for turning out Mr. Smith 10.

This being decided, Mr. Stebbins, as Commissioner of Parks, received the following vote:

YEAS—Allen, Cook, Foster, Harrower, Johnson, Lowrey, O'Brien, Tiemann, D. P. Wood—9.

NAYS—Adams, Baker, Benedict, Bowen, Chatfield, Dickinson, Graham, Lewis, McGowan, Madden, Murphy, Palmer, Perry, Robertson, Wagner, Weismann, J. Wood, Woodin—17. Mr. Stebbins was the most unobjectionable of the four men retained, and there was little or no talk about him.

Now came the President of Police, and it was expected that Hank Smith would fail to receive a majority of votes, as the motion of Mr. Perry for a separate vote on each man was aimed at him. Mr. Benedict said he should vote for Mr. Smith, believing him to be a capable officer. There had been a great deal of clamor raised about him, but we all, continued the Senator, have that to endure. I have now in my desk resolutions of some Reform associations. I think they call themselves, condemning me for my course here, and my friend, Mr. Weismann, has had the same favor shown to him. If Mr. Smith is turned out, a person that I cannot under any consideration support, I understand, is to be appointed to the place, and I shall vote to keep Mr. Smith in or turn them all out. Mr. D. P. Wood said he would vote as readily to retain Mr. Smith as any other man named, but he had voted to turn out every one of them, and should do so now. The vote was taken, and it was found that Hank Smith was retained as being as good as any of the others. YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Cook, Foster, Harrower, Johnson, Lowrey, McGowan, O'Brien, Perry, Tiemann, D. P. Wood—11.

NAYS—Messrs. Adams, Baker, Benedict, Bowen, Chatfield, Dickinson, Graham, Lewis, Madden, Murphy, Robertson, Wagner, Weismann, J. Wood, Woodin—14. It will be noticed that Senator Perry, while voting for the retention of the other heads, voted against Smith, thus shewing his motive in calling for a division of the question.

Mr. D. P. Wood moved to substitute the Controller for Corporation Counsel. Lost—10 to 17.

Mr. Chatfield now asked that the motion made by him in committee, to add the Controller to the number of heads of departments retained, should be put to the vote. Mr. Woodin objected that it had already been voted on, reconsidered, and again voted down. Dispute arose about this, the journal of yesterday was read, and another long controversy about order of proceedings seemed imminent, when the good sense of Senators decided to allow the motion to be put whether it was in order or not. This vote was distinguished by the extraordinary proceedings of Mr. Madden. When his name was called he excused himself from voting, and then presented some affidavits made by some hitherto unheard of men against Controller Green, charging him with corruption in office while in the Park Commission, and incompetency and ignorance of his official duties as Controller. Mr. Madden had not time to read these, but he explained their contents, and declared they substantiated all the assertions he had made about Mr. Green in his recent speech in committee. The outrageous character of this proceeding, the deliberate statement of charges against a public official, and presentation of affidavits, under cover of a privileged question, when there was no opportunity for reply, was condemned in the most severe terms by Mr. Murphy, Mr. Benedict, Mr. D. P. Wood, and other Senators, who declared they had not in the whole course of legislative experience, witnessed a more flagrant impropriety. Mr. Lord was moved to express his regret that he could not give a vote in favor of Mr. Green, after this unjustifiable attack on him. Mr. Madden felt the severity of the rebuke so much that he tried at a subsequent stage of the proceedings to squeeze in, out of order, an explanation that he had no personal animosity to Mr. Green, and that the charges made against him were all sworn to.

The vote on Mr. Chatfield's motion was:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chatfield, Cook, Foster, Harrower, Johnson, Lowrey, McGowan, Murphy, Palmer, Perry, Scoresby, Tiemann, D. P. Wood—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Adams, Benedict, Bowen, Dickinson, Graham, Lewis, Madden, O'Brien, Robertson, Weismann, Wagner, J. Wood, Woodin—13.

Mr. McGowan first voted in the negative and afterward changed his vote. Senators Benedict and Weismann explained that as they had voted for making the Controller an elective officer, and the present incumbent would hold till a successor should be elected, they voted in the negative now, to make the charter consistent. The adoption of Mr. Chatfield's motion to retain the Controller to the end of his term of office, caused so great a change in the programme, that Mr. Woodin said it would be necessary to reconsider the vote by which the amendment of Mr. Murphy was adopted. The vote was reconsidered, and the question was again put whether the provisions of the charter concerning the Controller should remain as reported from the Assembly, or whether he should be made an elective officer. Strange to say, the decided action of the Senate formerly taken on this subject, was even more decidedly reversed. The only votes recorded for the Murphy amendment were those of Mr. Bowen, Mr. Palmer, and Mr. Wagner.

Mr. Tiemann tried to get the charter election held in April, but it was lost—12 to 17.

Some changes were then made to the bill to harmonize it with the recent action in regard to the Controller. Mr. Madden's proposed new section about civil service reform was voted down, Senators being of opinion that it was out of place in a charter; and lastly, Mr. D. P. Wood moved to add to the thirty-second section, "a bureau for the collection of water rents, to be called the bureau of water rents." This was lost, 8 to 17; and then came the final question—shall the report of the committee be agreed to? The yeas and nays were not called, and the report was agreed to without dissent.

Mr. Woodin moved that the bill be read a third time now. It was thought that this motion would require unanimous consent, and much talk ensued, Mr. Tiemann and Mr. Johnson wanting the third reading to be put off till evening; but the Chair ruled that only a two-thirds vote was necessary, which being given, the Clerk commenced the task of reading the bill. When the thirty-seventh section was read, Mr. Murphy moved that the bill be recommitted, with instructions to amend that section by substituting his former amendment concerning the election of the Controller. But the motion was voted down, 17 to 10, and the reading proceeded.

It was now past 2 o'clock, and under the impression that the reading would occupy an hour or two, many Senators left their seats, and the Chamber was half emptied of its numerous occupants. But the Clerk reached the end of the bill, in ways well known to all familiar with third readings, in about ten minutes, much to the confusion of Senator Tiemann, who vainly protested against such a proceeding.

The question of the final passage of this long-contested measure was reached about 2½, and the officers were sent scouring around the Capitol to bring in the absentees. This being done, the vote was taken, with the following result:

YEAS—Adams, Allen, Baker, Benedict, Bowen, Chatfield, Dickinson, Foster, Graham, Lewis, Lowrey, McGowan, Madden, *O'Brien*, Perry, Robertson, Wagner, Weismann, D. P. Wood, J. Wood, Woodin—21.

NAYS—*Cook, Johnson, Tiemann*—3.

Absent—Palmer, Murphy, Winslow, and Harrower—4.

Mr. Allen explained his vote, stating that, though there were provisions in the charter which did not meet his approval, he thought, as a whole, it was much better than the one under which New-York was now ruled. Substantially the same explanation of their votes was given by Senators Benedict, Lowrey, and D. P. Wood.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. Burns has introduced a bill for the organization from the City Fire Department of "a corps of sappers and miners," for the more effectual extinguishment of fires.

The bill for the annexation of the southern portion of Westchester County to New-York was considered by the House this morning. The provisions of the bill, and the good results which would follow its adoption, were explained at length by Mr. Herring, and it was ordered to a third reading with little opposition.

The bill regulating the opening and improvement of the streets above Fifty-ninth-street was also ordered to a third reading, after several amendments had been made to it. The number of commissioners was reduced from five to three, and the salaries of the commissioners was left to be decided by the proper authorities. Beyond these two bills, there was nothing in the proceedings of the House calling for special mention.

WIDENING ANN-STREET.

The following is the bill to widen Ann-street, as agreed on by the property owners who have had a hearing in the matter:

An act to alter the necessary plan of the City of New-York between Fulton and Chambers streets, from the City Hall Park to South-street:

SECTION 1. E. D. Morgan, Henry Bergh, Wm. H. Tagg, Wm. Hussy, and Alfred Craven are hereby appointed commissioners, with power and authority to determine upon the expediency of opening more direct communication by a street or avenue from the City Hall Park to the East River, or otherwise, which shall, in their judgment, afford the best public accommodation; the said commissioners shall be at liberty to widen Ann-street to prevent termination, or to widen and extend the said street, or to widen or to extend any other street in said City between Fulton and Chambers streets, from the City Hall Park to South street, or to open and lay out as a street any other territory between the said points for the public accommodation, instead of or in addition to widening Ann-street, as aforesaid, if in their judgment after hearing all the parties interested who may desire to be heard, and upon all the facts which shall come before them on the subject, the public interest shall require such improvement or alteration, provided that no such street shall be made over 100 feet in width.

Section 2 provides for giving public notice of hearing witnesses to be summoned and sworn, a clerk provided for, commissioners to receive $10 per day, and for expenses not ever $10,000—all to be paid by the Controller of the City.

Section 3 provides the commissioners shall make a map or plan of the alteration, and the property proposed to be taken. They shall fix and determine awards and assessments, and report to the Mayor and Aldermen.

Section 4 provides for the application to the Supreme Court for three commissioners of estimate and assessment, one to be appointed by the property-owners, one by the Mayor, and one by the judge.

Section 5 provides that forty days before making the report to the court, a copy of the estimates and assessments shall be open to public inspection, and be advertised in three daily papers. Within thirty days objections may be made, and if persons representing a majority of the gross amount of the assessments and awards shall appear and object to proceeding with the report, the court shall order the same discontinued, if otherwise, it shall go on.

Section 6 provides that a majority of the commissioners shall be a quorum. The court may fill vacancies in the commissioners.

THE NEW STATE CAPITOL.

It is reported that the Committee on Ways and Means will report a bill naming a new commission for the new State Capitol, and fix the appropriation for this year at $1,500,000. Visscher Ten Eyck, J. Wesley Smith, and Chas. P. Easton, all of this city, have thus far been selected for the commission. One more member is to be selected.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

EVENING SESSION OF THE SENATE.

[For the day proceedings of the Legislature, see second page.]

Mr. Perry introduced a bill authorizing the Atlantic-street Railroad to extend their tracks.

The following bills were passed:

To repeal the act incorporating the Grand Commandery of the State.

To incorporate the cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, in New-York City.

To authorize the Board of Assessors to ascertain and fix the damages for closing streets and roads in the City of New-York, and making provision for the payment of the same.

Requiring county clerks to send an official canvass to the Secretary of State before Dec. 15 each year.

Authorizing the Ridgefield and New-York Railroad to put up iron sign-boards along their road in Westchester County.

Relative to the common schools of Elmira.

The bill incorporating the Atlantic Guarantee and Trust Company was lost and the vote reconsidered, and the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Banks.

Authorizing the City of Binghamton to construct a public street across the canal at that place.

Gov. De Kay, Secretary of Gov. Dix, handed into the Senate, this evening, a message from his Excellency, transmitting a communication from the Governor of Maine, with a resolution of the Legislature of that State, regarding the exaction of half-pilotage from vessels of 100 tons burden and upward passing through Hell Gate, when no pilot-service is rendered.

The Governor says: "Under existing laws, licensed or coasting vessels entering the harbor of New-York by way of Sandy Hook are not required to pay pilotage unless they take a pilot. On the other hand, coasting vessels of 100 tons burden and upward navigating the channel of Hell Gate are required to pay half-pilotage when they take no pilot. This requirement is objected to as unjust and oppressive by the Legislature of Maine, and there seems to me no ground for the distinction between vessels entering New-York harbor through different channels.

The exaction of pilotage on vessels engaged in commercial transactions between New York and other States, when no pilot service is rendered, appears to me to be unneighborly and unreasonable, and I respectfully recommend that the act of chap. 298 of Laws of 1871 be so amended as to exempt all coasting vessels from the requirements referred to. I have deferred communication with you for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of pilotage collected on vessels passing through Hell Gate. The records of the Port Warden's office show that the whole amount of pilotage collected on vessels navigating the channel from April 5, 1871, to March 12, 1873, was $69,107 50, as follows: Foreign vessels piloted, 1,469, $24,028 66; American vessels subject to pilotage, 4,056, $43,203 58; American vessels not subject to pilotage, 1,837, $12,084 11; half pilotage collected, 1,818, $9,771 15.

It is by no means certain that this statement is accurate, but it is sufficiently so to show that the abolition of half pilotage on coasting vessels which do not take pilots will be no hardship to the latter. Even if it were otherwise it would be unjust to the City of New-York and those who are engaged in the coasting trade to keep up an anti-commercial exaction for the benefit of any body of men, more especially when the same class of vessels entering the port of New-York by a different channel are exempt from it.

JOHN A. DIX.

The message was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The following additional bills were passed:

To amend the charter of Sing Sing.

To provide for the compensation of persons appointed to inquire into contracts for improving the streets of New-York.

Defining the powers and regulating the compensation of the Captain of the Port and Harbor-masters of the port of New-York.

Amending the General Registry law and repealing the act relative to the City of New-York.

To amend the charter of the Willard Insane Asylum.

Amending the charter of Rochester.

Defining the powers of the Board of Water Commissioners of Rochester.

Making further appropriations for the enlargement of the Champlain Canals.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY—EVENING SESSION.

The following bills were reported:

By Mr. Pierson—To provide for the construction of storm sewers in Brooklyn. Also, to legalize certain assessments ordered by the Buffalo Common Council. Also, to extend Genesee-street, Buffalo. Also, fixing the pay of the Brooklyn Fire Department.

By Mr. Fort—The annual Supply bill. On his motion the bill was made the special order for Wednesday morning.

Mr. Burns moved to adjourn over to-morrow, it being Good Friday.

On motion of Mr. Abbott, the motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Babcock, from the Erie Investigating Committee, submitted a further partial report of testimony taken; also that the committee had made diligent efforts to secure the attendance before them as witnesses of William M. Tweed, Jay Gould, and John B. Dutcher by the service of subpœnas, but had failed, owing to their neglect or refusal, and therefore offered a resolution that William M. Tweed, Jay Gould, and John B. Dutcher be arrested and brought before the bar of the House to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of its authority.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Blackie the bill providing for the erection of armories in the County of New-York was ordered printed and placed on file.

The following bills were passed:

Amending the act providing for the collection of taxes in the City of New-York.

To secure better administration in Police Courts in New-York.

To facilitate the construction of the Gloversville and Northville Railroad.

To amend the act to authorize the formation of building associations.

Extending and defining the civil jurisdiction of the Court of Common Pleas in the City and County of New-York, and the Superior Court of New-York and Buffalo, and the City Court of Brooklyn.

Providing for widening North Second-street, Brooklyn.

To incorporate the Battalion Lafayette Garde Française.

To authorize the Utica, Chace and Elmira Railroad Company to extend their road.

To amend the act to secure a just division to creditors of the estates of debtors conveyed to assignees.

To amend the act for the relief of the First Congregational Society of Syracuse.

Amending the act preventing the payment of salaries to trustees of charitable societies by allowing the paying of such salaries. Lost—33 to 38.

Mr. Clark moved a reconsideration and proceeded to explain that the bill provided for paying only one director, and he the secretary. He concluded by moving to lay the motion on the table; which was carried.

Amending the act incorporating the New-York Medical College for Women.

Amending the act providing for the consolidation of railroad companies, with regard to the publication of notices.

Adjourned.

An Order for the Arrest of Tweed, Jay Gould, and John B. Dutcher.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, April 10.—Mr. Babcock offered a resolution this evening that the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House be instructed to arrest Tweed, Jay Gould, and John B. Dutcher, and to bring them before the bar of the House to answer a charge of contempt, they having refused to appear before the Erie Investigating Committee, after being repeatedly summoned so to do. The resolution was adopted, without debate. Mr. Babcock regrets that the committee was limited to the 24th inst., as the period in which they must complete their labors, as it advertises to the men referred to how soon they may be safe from pursuit, but it is possible that if they are not arrested within the time named, the House will extend it. The committee will resume its sittings here next Tuesday. A temporary delay in taking testimony is necessitated by the printing of that already taken.

Mr. Husted attempted to get the Police Justices' bill to a third reading, but the requisite two-thirds vote could not be secured. So many bills are before the House in the order of third reading, that some three or four days will probably elapse before it is reached.

GENERAL NOTES.

Massachusetts refuses to pension its retired judges.

A. Yaunke is a Milwaukee German, and an alderman to boot.

An unusual demand for tombstones has made business lively in Alton, Ill.

Everybody in San Francisco is now eating strawberries, the crop being unusually large.

The Supreme Court at Greenfield, Mass., has nineteen divorce cases before it this week.

A wicked boy is under arrest in Dayton, Ohio, charged with stealing a horse from his brother.

Somebody suggests that Early would make a capital candidate for Governor for the Virginia Democrats—he knows how to run so well.

A Maine man asked to be excused from serving on a jury, saying he is "so deaf that he cannot hear it thunder, and is not very ambitious."

Liberal Bostonians are making up a fund for the noble fishermen of Nova Scotia who gave so freely their little all to the survivors of the Atlantic.

Miss S. E. Raymond declines to be a candidate for member of the Board of Education in Bloomington. [This is the new style of thing in the Illinois papers.]

A will made by a citizen of Amenia, who died thirteen years ago, has just been discovered, much to the disgust of those among whom the property was divided.

A Connecticut Coroner's jury has returned a verdict that the man came to his death by voluntarily taking too much cough medicine, carelessly and improperly prepared, and from exposure.

The St. Paul *Press* notes that all the advertisements for Indian supplies call for just twice as many pounds of best brown soap as of plug tobacco, and it wants to know what the Indians can do with so much soap.

After many months of labor and great expense, the expedition from San Francisco to recover the immense treasure supposed to be contained in the Spanish frigate Laocadia, on the coast of Equador, is a dead failure.

William Langston, the confessed murderer of his mother and a little girl, in Coles County, Ill., attempted at first to avert suspicion from himself by offering a reward of $500 and employing two detectives to discover the murderer.

The will of Henry Byrne is again before the San Francisco courts, the children of his sister, who reside in Connecticut, petitioning to have the probate revoked, on the ground of improper influences and the mental unsoundness of the testator.

Indianapolis celebrated on Sunday the semi-centennial anniversary of the introduction of Sunday-schools into the city. Meetings were held in the Academy of Music and one of the churches, and interesting addresses were made by Rev. Messrs. Baylis, Black, and Naylor, Gen. Coburn, and others.

A Michigan newspaper thus closes an article, attempting to depict some of the present attractions of its locality: "Thus, through varied phases and modifying influences, drainage has wrought this miracle of change, reducing slowly, grandly, to present limits this sea of waters that once disported themselves with tidal flow and storm, and sounding surge, and ceaseless thunder of unequaled cataract and song, adown the lapse of time, with narrowing sweep their anthem, to its lost cadence long, lingering and sublime."

THE CHARTER.

Action of the Union League Club Last Evening—A Lively Discussion—The Resolutions Adopted.

At the meeting of the Union League Club last evening, the President, Mr. Choate, in the chair, Mr. Charles Watrous presented the following resolutions:

Whereas, The session of the Legislature is rapidly drawing to a close, and the cry from the people of this Metropolis for relief from the office-holders imposed upon the City under the Tweed charter of 1870 has not yet found a response in the adoption of a charter; and,

Whereas, This unwarrantable delay has been occasioned mainly by a conflict of views in reference to the purposed depository of the power of appointment—the Assembly conferring such power upon the Board of Aldermen, and the Senate upon the Mayor, subject to the confirmation of the Board of Aldermen, after first stripping the Mayor of any voice in the naming of several heads of large and important departments, such heads being retained in office.

Now, therefore, This club, acting for what it believes to be the best interests of the whole community, and in a spirit of fairness toward all, suggests, as a compromise, that an agreement be arrived at which shall place the appointing power in the hands of the Mayor and the President of the Board of Aldermen—both being gentlemen who possess the confidence of the public; that the Board of Assistant Aldermen should be abolished, and the terms of office of all heads of departments terminate upon the appointment of their successors.

An animated debate ensued upon the resolutions being seconded. Mr. William Orton said, in substance, that he should not support this measure as an original proposition; but the Senate, in spite of the representations of the public feeling which have been made to it, has passed a charter in which the general good is subordinated to the desire to fix in office certain individuals. [Applause.] He should make no criticisms concerning the men named, nor the offices they are named for, but it was not creditable to the Legislature, that Brown, Jones, and Robinson should be thought of more consequence than the good of a great City. He was opposed to any scheme which proposed to build a fundamental law around any one man. He thought that it was the sentiment of the club that the nomination of officers should be with the Mayor and the confirmation with the Board of Aldermen. [Applause.] But unless something was done the bill did fair to become a law in ten days, and he was in favor of the compromise. The President of the Board of Aldermen was a member of the club, and he was an honorable man in whom he had confidence.

Mr. George W. Blunt denounced "Hank" Smith, and said that no one could not afford to give up a great principle for the sake of Smith and three other men. [Applause.]

Mr. Jackson S. Schultz said that it was more in accordance with the principles of our government that the Mayor should nominate and the Board of Aldermen confirm; but with the present President of the Board of Aldermen they could secure good appointments if the Mayor was required to consult with him, and they would only have to provide for two years, in which time the new institution would be in force. He supported the resolution.

Mr. J. C. Carter could not agree with the previous speaker, thinking that it would be a step backward from principle to adopt the resolutions, and he did not like to compromise. They should consider the public interest and the Republican Party. His first objection to the resolution was that it called upon the club to form itself into a legislative assemblage. Many present were probably not prepared to decide such an important question in fifteen minutes. They had a higher principle, and the fundamental law must be framed on principle. [Applause.] The Republican Party went into the canvass pledged to local reform, and the people looked to them to perform their engagements. The party and the Legislature were expected to do what was wise, and if they neglect to do that they had better do nothing at all. The work would be accomplished sooner or later. If the Republican Party failed, it should and would receive the public rebuke. [Applause.] He thought it unwise for the club to commit itself on the question of detail. If the Legislature can agree on this compromise, as had been urged, why should the club express itself at all? He was very much opposed to binding the interests of the club to any such objects. The speaker could see in the proposition the source of very great mischief. Suppose the President of the Board of Aldermen is honest, he asked, what guarantee have we that he will remain in his office during the next two years? It was not worth while, he contended, to alter the fundamental law of this State to make-shifts. He thought it would be a grave mistake. [Applause.]

Mr. Schultz again rose to answer the last speaker. No party principle was, he said, involved, as the party had proved by changing ground often on the question. They were not bound to leave such an important matter solely with the Legislature. The expressions of opinion of the constituency were always timely. In answer to Mr. Carter's objection, that they were not prepared to decide, he said that if there had been any subject discussed in the Press and in public it was the charter, and he was sure that every gentleman present was competent to express his opinion. All good men in the City were in favor of the proposition. It was not so at Albany, for there were evil influences at work there, and the man so objected to by Mr. Blunt the Legislature had just voted to retain by a larger vote than the others had received. Any constituency, he thought, they should give the legislators no excuse to say that they were not aware of the feeling of their constituents. As to the names of the officials the Senate had voted to retain, they should say to them, unmistakably: "Take them out!"

Mr. Blunt, amid some laughter, offered the following addition to the resolution:

Whereas, The bill proposes to retain Henry Smith, the President of a bank which has swindled the public—and in which he has participated—and who owes the City $65,000 deck dues which he won't pay, this club protests against Smith being the fundamental principle of the charter.

Mr. Joseph B. Varnum was in favor of letting the Legislature know that they regarded the charter as one which should not be saddled by the same class of men who oppressed us so long. He thought the club should step in, and that they should say, "If you won't give us the charter we want, give us as good as you can, and we will take the chance of improving it afterward."

Judge White raised the point of order that Mr. Blunt's amendment was not in order, but, on the Chair deciding against him, moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Schultz said that he had no doubt of the truth of Mr. Blunt's charges against Mr. Smith, but he hoped he would withdraw it.

Mr. Blunt said that if every body believed what he had said of Smith, he would not insist on having his amendment put. [Laughter.]

Mr. Parke Godwin moved to put the resolution on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 53 to 68.

Mr. A. P. Man spoke in favor of the resolution, after which Mr. Collins moved to refer it to the Executive Committee to report next Monday, under the rule, when a member objects to any question of public polity being decided without that formality. The objection was not sustained, and the motion to refer was lost.

Mr. Orton again seconded the resolution in a brief speech, but Mr. Godwin offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the members of the Union League Club, of the City of New-York, protest with all their vigor to the Legislature of the State of New-York against that feature of the charter prepared for this City, which proposes to legislate certain officeholders into a continuation of their tenure, as a part of the fundamental law of the City.

Resolved, That we adhere to the opinion, which we believe to be the opinion of a large majority of the people, that the power of appointment should be given to the Mayor, with confirmation by the Board of Aldermen.

Resolved, That we hold it essential to the best interests of the people that the Municipal elections should be held in the Spring of the year.

This substitute was then promptly carried without debate, and the Chair said it was not necessary to put the original to vote. The meeting then adjourned.

S. L. M. Barlow and the Panama Railroad Company.

The rumor which prevailed on the street yesterday that Mr. S. L. M. Barlow had resigned from his newly-elected position as a director in the Panama Railroad Company was found, upon inquiry, to be entirely without foundation. The rumor probably arose in connection with the resignation of Judge Edwards Pierrepont, who gave up his position in the company the day after election. Mr. Barlow's friends would certainly never credit such a rumor, as they are aware that, among all his frailties, there lurks no weakness for jumping out of a crib as long as any corn remains.

District-Attorney Phelps After the Thieves.

On the 17th of March last, Mr. Laurence E. Hallenbach, No. 61 East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street, while in Broadway was accosted by a stranger, and went with him to a saloon in Bleecker-street, near Greene, where Hallenbach was beaten in a severe manner by the stranger, and robbed of $45, his watch and chain and studs. Capt. Byrnes, of the Fifteenth Precinct, hearing of the occurrence, investigated the case, and learned that the man who accosted Hallenbach and induced him to enter the saloon was George Lockwood, alias Cully, alias Joe Johnson, a noted Eighth Ward thief. Lockwood was, six months ago, sent to Blackwell's Island for one year, for having attempted to rob a safe, in company with Thomas Brickley, who, four years ago, murdered Charles Ledford, a fellow-convict, in Sing Sing Prison. Capt. Byrnes further learned that a few days before the assault on Hallenbach, Lockwood escaped from the Island, but was recaptured and sent back on the 25th of March. On informing District-Attorney Phelps of the matter, an indictment was at once found against Lockwood, and Capt. Byrnes lodged a detainer with Warden Fitch for his detention. Late on Wednesday night, Capt. Byrne, having received further information, arrested Jack McGuinness and Larry Casey, two well-known thieves, as the men who assaulted Hallenbach. They were fully identified by Mr. Hallenbach, and were committed to the Tombs on warrants issued by the District-Attorney. The case will be placed on the calendar for trial at once.

SAN SALVADOR.

Details of its Destruction by an Earthquake—Alarm of the Natives.

The Philadelphia *Evening Bulletin* publishes the following private letter from a gentleman in San Salvador, Central America, to a gentleman in that city, giving the first details of the recent destruction of that place by an earthquake:

SAN SALVADOR, March 8, 1873.

For a few days slight shocks of earthquake had occurred, but no serious apprehensions were entertained. It was on the afternoon of the 4th of March, after an early dinner, at which I had taken a glass of sherry to the reinauguration of President Grant, at about 4½, the children merrily romping in the grounds, Miss S. and Maggie superintending the removal of the dinner-tables, and I quietly smoking a cigar upon our porch, when, within thirty seconds, not only our house, but a great part of the city was reduced to little more than ruin. Suddenly, in a twinkle, the ground heaved as the deck of a ship in a gale, terrific thunderings burst from under foot, walls cottered and were rent in many places with fearful roofs sank, and tiles, &c., were precipitated to the ground; lamps, pitchers, basins, glass, &c., were overturned and broken. Three violent shocks followed in succession, and the servants commenced to scream piteously, and could not be quieted. The most singular effect was that upon the dumb animals. Wild birds flew to the houses, the horses grew frantic in the stables, and the dogs, howling, stank toward me for protection. Although I was not conscious of personal fear, it was noticeable that every one's face grew ashy pale. It might have been the intense excitement, and from the fact that no human means for preservation were available.

Miss S., with admirable presence of mind, seized the children and hurried them to the "patio," or open court-yard. Maggie aided, with prayerful ejaculations, and I am afraid that I fired something of a volley of words at the native servants, who yelled, as I thought, beyond human capacity. Every few minutes shakings of less violence occurred, and I made a dash for the street. And the scene beggars description. Ruined houses, panic-stricken people—men, women and children—fleeing to the fields with valuables hastily collected. Then the ringing of the alarm-bells and beating of drums, calling all the soldiers under arms—for here murder and riot accompany the confusion of great earthquakes, and as the frightened citizens leave the town, dusky Indians from the forests prowl for prey into it, only checked by the bayonets of the Government troops. These were posted in squads at short distances all over San Salvador, and a mounted guard posted in the front and rear of the Legation.

Gen. Bustamente, who happened to be in town, rode to me, and said, "Señor, you must leave with your family. I very much fear the whole place will be leveled in the night." And what was to be done? The most perilous place was under a roof. Darkness near at hand, and the country all in terror. My children behaved admirably, bright and cheerful all the same. Santa Teola, or New San Salvador, is about ten miles distant from the capital. It is 800 feet high, and was thought to be more exempt from "temblores." Here I determined to seek refuge with the children, and asking Maggie and Miss S. to collect necessary clothing, and to send money and valuables for deposit to the iron safe in the British Consulate, I went to the only livery-stable to see if I could hire a stage, or even a bullock-cart, to carry us to Santa Teola. But not a horse or mule, donkey or vehicle of any description could be obtained for love or money, and the terrified owners,

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The presence at the Exchange, yesterday, (Thursday,) April 10, of an unusual number of real estate investors, gave the market an appearance of activity, and the appearance was not deceitful, for at nearly all the auctions held success was achieved, and the greater portion of the property offered was disposed of. In some instances, however, the prices ruled low. The following is a review of the transactions:

A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., by order of executors, sold City real estate, viz.: One three-story brick and frame house, with lot 21 by 75 feet, No. 48 Harrison-street, between Washington and West streets, sold to Thomas Auld for $11,950; one two-story and attic brick house, with lot 20 by 45.3 feet, Nos. 171 and 171½ Division-street, between Jefferson and Canal streets, sold to Herman Korn for $10,100, and one three-story brick and frame house, with lot 21.2 by about 66 feet, with stable in rear, No. 11 Watts-street, between Sullivan and Varick-street, sold to Marcus Sackett for $7,000. The same firm also sold, by order of the Supreme Court in partition, under the direction of Philip T. Burgler, Esq., referee, the following City property belonging to the Wetherbee estate: One lot 23 by 100, with two-frame buildings, front and rear, thereon, No. 9 Worth-street, north side, 200 feet west of West Broadway; sold to Henry Mayler for $18,000. One lot 25 by 100, with three-story brick house in front and two-story brick house in rear, No. 42 Thomas-street, north side, 75 feet west of West Broadway, sold to Thomas Wetherbee for $11,100. Three two-story brick buildings and lot, latter forming plot 59 by 67,10, Nos. 9, 11, and 13 Jersey-street, north side, 66.11 feet west of Mulberry-street, sold to last named buyer for $9,950. One full lot on the north side of West One Hundred and Thirteenth-street, 2.5 feet east of Seventh-avenue, sold to J. J. Mackin for $4,850. Two lots adjoining, sold to same for $3,825 each; and three full lots on the south side of West Hundred and Thirty-first-street, 225 feet east of Seventh-avenue, in rear of above, sold to Thomas Wetherbee for $3,850 each.

Muller, Wilkins & Co., at public auction, disposed of the premises No. 971 Eighth-avenue, north-west corner of Forty-seventh-street, embracing a lot 25 by 100, with a three-story frame building on corner and two two-story brick houses in rear, fronting on street, known as Nos. 503 and 505 West Forty-seventh-street, for $51,000, the purchaser being Jacob Kern. Also the four-story brick house and lot, 18 by 100.5, No. 307 West Forty-seventh-street, in rear of above, sold to Joseph Smith, for $17,100. On the sale of the corner property a piece of sharp practice was exhibited on the part of the buyer, rarely seen at the Exchange, for the lot having been knocked down to him at $51,000, he thought the rear house and lot was included in the purchase. The premises were therefore again put up, and repurchased by the same buyer for $51,000, as above noted, the owner thereby losing $1,000. Messrs. Muller & Co. also sold at public auction a plot of land, 46 ft. by 98.5 with the 3 dilapidated brick fronts, stable thereon, known as Nos. 215 and 217 East Twenty-seventh-street, north side, 170 feet east of Third-avenue, for $57,000; purchaser, Isaac Rodman. Also, as an executor's sale to close an estate, a plot of land, with frame building thereon, No. 3 Dover-street, south side, 81.5 feet west of Chatham-street, the plot being irregular in form, having a frontage of 17 feet by a depth of about 46 feet, with an alley-way on the east side; sold for $7,200 to D. Larocque. For the following property, offered by the same firm but not sold, bids were received, namely: For three-story brick house and lot 20 ft. in Second-avenue, east of Seventh-street, $21,000; for six-story brick tenement-house, with lot 20 by 87.6, No. 184 Eldridge-street, north of Rivington-street, $23,500; for six-story brick tenement-house, lot 18 by 87.6, No. 188 Eldridge-street, adjoining above, $19,000, and for three-story brick store, dwelling, and lot, No. 872 Sixth-avenue, north of Forty-ninth-street, $27,000. The property No. 876 Sixth-avenue, advertised for sale, was not offered.

R. P. Parmly, Jr., appointed under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, Frederick A. Smythe, Esq., referee, sold a four-story high-stoop brown-stone house and lot—latter full size—situate on the north side of East Sixty-ninth-street, 125 feet east of Madison-avenue, for $48,500; also, a similar house and lot in same block, 125 feet west of Fourth-avenue, for $48,500; the purchaser of both pieces of property being Bernard Smythe. The houses are new, finished in a first-class manner, and sold very cheap, the prices realized being in each instance but a little over the first and second mortgages now on the property, and not enough to cover both.

Joseph McGuire, at public auction, disposed of the property No. 229 Elizabeth-street, west side, between Prince and Houston streets, comprising a lot 20 by 80, with brick and frame buildings on same for $9,000; purchaser, O. G. Bennett. Also, at an executor's sale, the same auctioneer sold the three-story brick house and lot, No. 7 Watts-street, between Sullivan and Varick streets, for $7,650, the buyer being Charles Gotzer; two five-story and cellar brick tenement-houses and lots, known as Nos. 114 and 116 Mulberry-street, between Canal and Hester streets, were, in addition, knocked down, at $16,000 each, but bids not sold. The adjourned legal sale of lots on One Hundred and Forty-fifth-street, north-east and north-west corners of the Grand Boulevard, was again adjourned to to-day.

E. H. Ludlow & Co., as a trustee's sale, by order of the United States Trust Company, sold the 3-story brick house and lot No. 291 Bowery, east side, between Fifth and Sixth streets, to Patrick H. Fay, for $22,850. Also, upon a bid of $15,500 withdrew from the market, the three-story brick house and lot No. 124 West Twelfth-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Hugh N. Camp, by order of the Supreme Court, in foreclosure, Stephen H. Olin, Esq., referee, disposed of the 3-story brick house and lot, No. 18 Macdougal-street, east side, between Spring and Prince streets. Sold to James Barclay for $13,600.

James M. Miller offered at public auction the premises No. 344 Sixth-avenue, east side, 40 feet north of Twenty-first street, embracing a lot 27.3 by 85, and a four-story One-stone front house upon the front thereof, and a three-story brick house in rear. The property was knocked down for $64,900, to a Mr. Bowden, but whether really sold or not we cannot say. That it was sold we were informed by the auctioneer in charge, but in a manner which leads us to doubt the fact, and having been frequently misled as to the character of sales held at this auction stand, we can note only the transactions as they occur. From all the auctioneers doing business at the Exchange, when applying for information concerning sales, we have always and are accustomed to receive accurate reports, with the exception of Mr. Miller, who seems to forget that it is as much our province to properly report the auctions of the day as it is his to hold them. The mere fact of his declining to furnish the required information should be submitted to, but when to this is added an intemperance of language and a coarseness of deportment which would indicate an entire ignorance of the courtesies to say nothing of the decencies, of business life, we can only regret that such experience as ours not taught a better lesson. The legal sale by Mr. Miller of a house and lot on West Twenty-eighth-street, east of Ninth-avenue, was adjourned to the 15th inst.

At the Exchange, in Brooklyn, yesterday, Jere. Johnson sold property located in each city to the value of $44,500, full details concerning which will be found below in the summary.

At the session held in Jersey City, on Tuesday last, by J. M. Gibson, the house and lot No. 218 Henderson-street, was sold to Geo. Heath for $3,800, and the house and lot No. 154 Steuben-street, to Thomas J. Harmon for $3,550.

TO-DAY'S PROPOSED BUSINESS.

Notwithstanding the fact that to-day is Good Friday, legal sales as follows are announced for the Exchange:

By Muller, Wilkins & Co., partition sale of the first-class five-story brick building and plot of land on the north side of Thirty-third-street, comprising the entire front between Greenwich and Washington streets, and known as No. 336 Greenwich-street, having a front of 21 feet 6 inches on Greenwich and Washington streets, and 16 feet on Jay-street, and the four-story brick store and lot situated on the westerly side of Greenwich-street, between Harrison and Franklin streets, known as No. 384; lot 25 by 100 feet. Also, foreclosure sale of lots 6 and 8, on the west side of Fourth-avenue, south side, 300 feet west of Ninth-avenue.

By Wm. Kennelly, foreclosure sale of four lots, forming plot 100 by 100.8, on West Eighty-ninth-street, north side of Avenue, 300 feet west of Ninth-avenue, and eight lots, forming plot 200 by 100.8, on West Ninetieth-street, south side, 300 feet West of Ninth-avenue, in rear of above.

By Joseph McGuire, adjourned foreclosure sale of fifteen lots on West One Hundred and Forty-fifth-street, north-east corner of the Grand Boulevard, and six lots on same street, north-west corner of Boulevard.

The sale, by order of executrix, of eight acres of land with stone house thereon, the estate of Moses Taylor, deceased, located at Norwood, N. J., and heretofore adjourned, is also announced for to-day, to take place on the premises at 3 o'clock, Lewis A. Wood, Auctioneer.

Exchange Sales, Thursday, April 10.

NEW-YORK.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.

1 3-story brick and frame h. and l., No. 48 Harrison-st., between Washington and West sts., lot 21x75 ..... $11,900
1 2-story and attic brick h. and plot, Nos. 171 and 171½ Division-st., between Jefferson and Canal sts., plot 28x48.9 10,100
1 3-story brick and frame h., l stable and lot, No. 11 Watts-st., between Sullivan and Varick sts., lot 21.2x about 68 7,000
2 frame buildings (front and rear) and l., No. 9 West-st., n. s., 200 ft. w. of West Broadway, lot 22x100 15,000
1 3-story brick h. (front) ; 1 2-story brick h. (rear) and l., No. 42 Thomas-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of West Broadway, lot 22x100 13,100
1 3-story brick h. and l., No. 13 Jersey-st., n. s., 66.11 ft. w. of Mulberry-st., lot 19.11x57.8 3,400
1 2-story brick h. and l., No. 11 Jersey-st., adjoining above 3,200
1 2-story brick h. and l., No. 9 Jersey-st., adjoining above 3,250
1 lot, West 120th-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 7th-av., 25x99.11 3,850
2 lots, West 120th-st., n. s., 250 ft. e. of 7th-av., adjoining above, each same size, $3,825 each 7,650
1 lot, West 121st-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of 7th-av., in rear of above, each 25x99.11, $3,850 each 11,550

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

1 3-story frame h., No. 771 8th-av.; 2 3-story brick h., Nos. 303 and 305 West 47th-st., and lot, n. w. corner of 8th-av. and 47th-st.; corner house and brick store, and 2 brick stores each 21.6x25, lot 25x100 ..... $51,000
1 4-story brick h. and l., No. 307 West 47th-st., n. s., 160 ft. w. of 8th-av., in rear of above, lot 22x100.5, h. and l. fee 17,100
1 3-story Philadelphia brick-front stable and lot, Nos. 215 and 217 East 27th-st., n. s., 170 ft. e. of 3d-av., plot 46.8x98.8 27,000
1 frame h. and plot, No. 3 Joyer-st., s. s., 81.5 ft. w. of Chatham-st., plot irregular, 37x about 43. 7,200

By S. P. Parmly.

1 4-story h. s. b. a. front h. and l., East 68th-st., n. s., 128 ft. e. of Madison-av., lot 25x100.5 ..... $45,500
1 4-story h. s. b. a. front h. and l., East 68th-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 4th-av., lot 25x100.5 45,500

By Joseph McGuire.

1 3-story bk. h. and l. No. 7 Watts-st., n. s., 52.4 ft. w. of Sullivan-st., lot 21.2x about 51, rear irregular $7,500
1 lot, with frame buildings on same, No. 229 Elizabeth-st., w. s., between Prince and Houston sts., lot 20x1, block 3,000

By R. Ludlow & Co.

1 2-story bk. h. and l. No. 291 Bowery, e. s., 48.6 ft. s. of 8th-st., lot 24x80 ..... $23,300

By Hugh N. Camp.

1 2-story and attic bk. h. and l. No. 18 Macdougal-st., e. s., 343.5 ft. s. of Prince-st., lot 25x100, house 45 ft. deep $13,600

Brooklyn Exchange Sales, April 10.

BROOKLYN.

By Jere. Johnson, Jr.

1 h. and l., No. 206 Franklin-av., near Willoughby-av.; James Jones $4,950
1 lot, corner Hamilton-av. and Luquer-st.; M. Erwin 1,925
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Luquer-st., adjoining; O. H. Taylor 1,000
1 h. and l. on Hamilton-av., near Luquer-st., adjoining; S. S. Goodwin 4,975
1 h. and l. on Hamilton-av., near Luquer-st., adjoining; M. Irwin 4,750
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Luquer-st., adjoining; S. S. Goodwin 1,100
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Luquer-st., adjoining; M. Irwin 1,000
1 lot, corner Hamilton-av., Henry-st. and Nelson-st.; M. Butler 3,000
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Henry-st., adjoining; S. S. Goodwin 1,200
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Henry-st., adjoining; S. S. Goodwin 975
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Henry-st., adjoining; M. Butler 1,125
1 lot on Hamilton-av., near Henry-st., adjoining; M. Butler 975
1 h. and l., corner Willoughby and Jay sts.; Jas. Williams 13,100
6 lots, corner Carroll-st. and Whitwell-place; J. S. Stevens 1,020
1 h. and l., No. 1 Talman-st., near Jay-st.; M. Curly 3,000

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

NEW-YORK.

Wednesday, April 9.

Henry-st., s. s., 146 ft. e. of Catherine-st., 25x100. 12,000
Hudson-st., n. w. corner of Christopher-st., 26.7 x th. w. 72x8.50x26.74.11, ... 35,000
Bowery, w. s., 71 ft. n. of 4th-st., 23.6x1x23.9x 66.3; also piece of land in rear of above, n. w. end, 11.2x12 ..... nom.
4th-st., s. s., 163.11 ft. e. of 1st-av., 22x92.9, h. and l., Astor leases 12,250
19th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 7th-av. 25x85 5,000
36th-st., s. s., 165 ft. e. of Madison-av., 50x98.9, h. and l.; 35th-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of Madison-av., 21x98.9, h. and l. 150,000
37th-st., s. s., rear lot, 84.1 ft. e. of 37th-st., and 19 ft. w. of Lexington-av., 18.9x15.4 4,000
42d-st., s. s., 82 ft. e. of 9th-av., 17x98.9, h. and l.. 12,850
42d-st., s. s., 65 ft. e. of 9th-av., 17x98.9, h. and l.. 13,000
86th-st., n. s., 320 ft. e. of 9th-av., 80x102.2 25,750
84th-st., n. s., 350 ft. e. of 9th-av., 80x102.2 ; 86th-st., s. s., 350 ft. e. of 9th-av., 80x102.2 25,000
108d-st., s. s., 150 ft. w. of 9th-av., 42.10x100.11, $33.8 ft. w. of 9th-av., 91.9x101.1x89.2x100.11 ..... nom.
110th-st., n. s., 325 ft. e. of 8th-av., 80x100.11 ; 111th-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of 8th-av., 75x100.11 42,000
111th-st., s. s., 120 ft. w. of 2d-av., 20x100.11, foreclosure 250
120th-st., s. s., 188.1 ft. e. of 2d-av., 19.6x100.11 14,000
122d-st., s. s., 240 ft. w. of 10th-av., 75x½ block 10,125
126th-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 5th-av., 75x99.11 25,500
Lexington-av., w. s., 25 ft. n. of 58th-st., 24x80 29,000
Lexington-av., s. s., 40.5 ft. n. of 57th-st., 20x66 .. 19,800
1st-av., w. s., 806 ft. s. of 118th-st., 75.7x200 19,000
2d-av., e. s., 80.11 ft. n. of 124th-st., 20x80, h. and l. 15,500

LEASES.

Cortlandt-st., No. 57, 5 years $2,000
Oak-st., No. 7, store floor and basement, 4 years. 1,200
Water-st., No. 44, front house, 5 years 2,000
44th-st., No. 141 West, 1 year 2,000
2d-av., No. 920, 3 years 1,460
2d-av., No. 874, 3 years 1,700
6th-av., Nos. 140 and 142, 5 years 4,500
1st-st., No. 206 East, 5 years 1,800

CITY REAL ESTATE.

15 EAST 49TH-ST., NEAR 5TH-AV.

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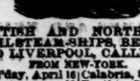

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WISCONSIN, Capt. T. W. FREEMAN, May 7, at 11½ P. M.
NEVADA, Capt. FORSYTH.....May 14, at 2 P. M.
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No. 5 Bowling-green.

LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, April 15, from Pier No. 16 East river, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
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GEORGIA, Capt. CROWELL, Thursday, April 10.
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The steam-ship MANDINGO, Capt. SPENCE, for Havana direct, on the 26th April.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT—City and County of New-York.—HENRY E. PELHAM SUTTON, plaintiff, against GEORGE T. M. DAVIS, The Corcoran Gallery, Edward C. D. Kittredge, The Trustees and Faculty of Williams College, Charles D. Mills, John K. Mills, Sarah M. Mills, Silas L. Mills, Alice D. Mills, and Mary Mills, defendants.—Summons for relief.—(Com. not ser.)—To the defendants and each of them: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the new Court-house in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 4 Warren-street, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

E. P. BREED, Plaintiff's Attorney.
No. 4 Warren-st., New-York.

The complaint in the above-entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York at the new Court-house in said City, on the 5th day of March, 1873.

E. P. BREED, Plaintiff's Attorney.

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For Baltimore, Washington, and the South at 9 A. M., 1, 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 8, 9, 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 1, 4, 5, 6, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 6, 8:30, and 9 P. M.

For Philadelphia, via Kensington, at 7 A. M. and 2 P. M.

Emigrant and second class, 7:15 P. M.

For Newark at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8:16, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 9, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M. Sunday, 8:20, 8:16, 9 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8, 8:10, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 9, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M. Sunday, 8:20, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20 and 6 P. M.

For Woodbridge and Perth Amboy, 6 and 10 A. M., 2:30, 3:40, 4:30, and 5:50 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 3, 5, 6:10, 8:20, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6 and 9 P. M.

For Bay Ridge, 8:10 P. M.

For East Millstone, 7 A. M., 12 M., 4:10 and 5:30 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Phillipsburg and Belvidere, 2 and 4 P. M.

Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 2, 3, 3:40, 4, and 6 P. M.

For Freehold, 7, 8 A. M., 2 and 4 P. M.

For Jamesburg, Pemberton, Camden, 8 A. M., 3:40 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Philadelphia, 6:50 A. M., 1:05 P. M., daily; 10:14 A. M. and 6:34 P. M., daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:40 A. M., 12:15 and 3:54 P. M. Sunday, 6:40 A. M. From Philadelphia, 5:21, 6:50, 10:14, 11:04, 11:54 A. M., 3:14, 3:54, 6:04, 8:43 P. M.; Sunday, 5:21, 6:50, 11:04 A. M.

Ticket offices, Nos. 526, 435, 271, and 944 Broadway; No. 1 Astor House; 76 Chambers-st., and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket-office, No. 8 Battery-place.

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WINTER ARRANGEMENT, taking effect Dec. 1, 1872.

Passenger depots foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts. as follows:

For New-Durham and Maywood—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 4:50, 5:20, 6:20, and 11:20 P. M.

For Hackensack, Paterson, Hawthorne, Midland Park, and Wortendyke—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 3:20, 4:50, 6:20, 11:20 P. M.

For Ridgefield Park, Bogota, Rochelle, Dundee Lake, Market Street, and Riversde—7, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 4:50, 5:20, 6:20, 11:20 P. M.

For Wyckoff, Pompton, and Montclair Junction—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 3:20, 4:50, 6:20 P. M.

For Campgaw, Oakland, Bloomingdale, and West Bloomingdale—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 4:20, 5:20 P. M.

For Smith Mills, Char ottesburg, Stockholm, Sanfordtown, Ogdensburg, and Quarryville—7, 9:10 A. M. 4:20 P. M.

For New-Foundland, Franklin, Hamburg, Deckertown, Unionville, West Town, Johnson, State Hill, Middletown, and Bloomingburgh—7, 9:10 A. M.; 3:34, 04:20 P. M.

For Pine Bush, Hunisboro, Fallsburg, Monticello, Liberty Falls, and Ellenville—9:10 A. M.; 3:20 P. M.

Returning, leave Liberty Falls at 6:55 A. M., 1:25 P. M.; Ellenville, 7:43 A. M., 2:15 P. M.; Middletown, 8:55 A. M., 3:37, 5:45 P. M.; West Bloomingdale, 7, 9:20 A. M., 2, 6:04 P. M.; Wortendyke, 6:53, 7:37, 9, 11:22 A. M., 2:37, 4:06, 6:36, 10:50 P. M.; Paterson, 5:43, 6:47, 7:35, 9:19, 11:38 A. M., 2:57, 4:34, 7:15, 11:12 P. M.

Arriving in New-York at 6:55, 8, 9:10, 10:20 A. M., 12:50, 4:10, 5:40, 6:33 P. M., and 12:50 A. M.

Trains leave New-York, foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts., for Montclair, Pompton, and intermediate stations, 9:10 A. M., 3:20 and 4:30 P. M. For Montclair and intermediate stations, 4:10 P. M., 5:31 and 6:20 P. M. Arrive, 7:35, 8:27, 9:18, 10:04 A. M., 4:10 and 5:35 P. M.

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† Does not run beyond Bloomingburgh.

C. W. YOUNG, Superintendent.
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CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY—Allentown Line to the West.—Passenger and Freight Depot in New-York, foot of Liberty-st.—Winter Arrangement.—Commencing Dec. 16, 1872, leave New-York as follows:

8 A. M.—Way-train for Somerville.

7 A. M.—For Flemington, Easton, Bethlehem, Bath, Manch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Mahanoy City, Shamokin, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, &c., with through cars to Williamsport; connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

9 A. M.—Morning Express, daily (except Sundays,) for Flemington, Lambertville, Harrisburg, and the West; connects at Somerville for Flemington; at Easton for Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Towanda, Waverley, &c.

10:15 A. M.—Way-train for Somerville.

12 M.—Way-train for Somerville.

12:30 P. M.—For Flemington, Easton, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Mahanoy City, Hazleton, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Pottsville, Harrisburg, and the West.

2:30 P. M.—For Easton, Bethlehem, and Allentown. 3:15 P. M.—For Plainfield.

4 P. M.—For Easton, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk; connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

4:20 P. M.—For Somerville and Flemington.

5 P. M.—For Somerville.

5:15 P. M.—For Plainfield.

5:30 P. M.—Evening Express, daily, for Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, and Chicago.

8 and 9:45 P. M.—For Somerville.

7:30 P. M.—(Emigrant)—For Easton.

9 and 11 P. M.—For Plainfield.

For Elizabeth at 6, 6:40, 7, 7:35, 8, 8:45, 9, 9:30, 10:15, 11, 11:45 A. M.; 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:15, 3:45, 4:20, 4:45, 5, 5:15, 5:30, 6:45, 6, 6:30, 6:45, 7:15, 7:30, 8:15, 9, 10, 11, 12 P. M.

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8.00 A. M.—Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.

10.30 A. M.—Special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

10.45 A. M.—Northern and Western Express.

2.40 P. M.—Special Express for Albany and Troy.

4.00 P. M.—Montreal Express, with sleeping-cars from New-York to St. Albans.

5.00 P. M.—Express daily, with sleeping-cars for Watertown and Canandaigua.

8.00 P. M.—Pacific Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls; also, for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads. This train runs on Sundays.

11.00 P. M.—Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

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Trains will leave James slip as follows. (Leave 34th-st., East River, fifteen minutes later.)

8:30 A. M.—Greenport and Sag Harbor Express.

10:30 A. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, Locust Valley, and Rockaway trains.

2 P. M.—Riverhead and Sag Harbor Express trains, (through to Greenport on Saturdays.)

4 P. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley Express.

5 P. M.—Hempstead Express.

6 P. M.—Northport and Rockaway Accommodation.

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Tuesday, 8th.... 3:00 P. M.	Monday, 7th.... 1:00 P. M.
Thursday, 10th. 3:00 P. M.	Wednesday, 9th 3:00 P. M.
Friday, 11th... 3:00 P. M.	Friday, 11th... 7:00 A. M.
Saturday, 12th.. 2:30 P. M.	Saturday, 12th.. 7:00 A. M.
	Monday, 14th... 7:00 A. M.

FALL RIVER LINE FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT.—The steamers NEWPORT and OLD COLONY, from Pier No. 28 North River, foot of Murray-street, daily (Sundays excepted) at 5 P. M., on and after March 1. Tickets sold to principal points in New-England, the White Mountains, and Provinces.

A. P. BACON, Superintendent.

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FOR BONDOUT AND KINGSTON—Landing at Cozzens' Dock, Cornwall, Newburg, Milton, Poughkeepsie, and Esopus. The steam-boat THOMAS CORNELL will make her first trip on SATURDAY, April 12, inst., and will run regularly thereafter every TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY, leaving Harrison-st., Pier No. 34 North River, at 4 o'clock P. M.

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The large and rich stock of elegant silver-ware and cutlery now in store will positively be all closed out by auction to the highest bidder. Sale commencing TUESDAY, April 8, at 10½ o'clock, and continued daily until all is sold. On MONDAY, April 28, the entire fixtures of store, comprising:

Elegant black walnut and silver-plated show cases.
Elegant black walnut counters and tables.
A large safe, nearly new.
Store-shelving, &c., &c., &c.

The above stock is warranted first-class and from the best known makers. All must be sold previous to May 1.

Fixtures on exhibition previous to sales.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to an order of the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York, made in the matter of ALFRED WILD, bankrupt, on the 20th day of March, 1873, I will sell at auction at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the fourteenth (14) day of April, 1873, at 12 M., by Muller, Wilkins & Co., Auctioneers, seven second mortgage bonds of the Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal Company for $1,000 each, held by me as collateral security for a note of said company, indorsed by Alfred Wild.

THEODORE M. DAVIS,
Receiver of the Ocean National Bank.
NEW-YORK, April 9, 1873.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Auctioneer.

ART AUCTION.

TUESDAY EVENING, 15TH.
ROBERT SOMERVILLE will sell at the ROCKWOOD GALLERY,
NO. 845 BROADWAY.
The water colors and pencil sketches of the late JOHN F. KENSETT.
Now on view as above by order of R. M. OLIPHANT, Executor.

EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.

BY BROWN & SECCOMBE.—THIS DAY, (Friday,) April 11, at 12½ o'clock, within their store: Fresh Messina Oranges and Lemons, cargo Dalzell, and can be seen on Pier No. 3 East River. Immediately after, within their store: Fresh Valencia and Palermo Oranges and Lemons, ex steam-ship Sidonian, and can be seen on Pier No. 21 North River.

BANKRUPT SALE.—IN PURSUANCE of an order of the United States District Court, District of New-Jersey, the undersigned will sell at public auction at the office of S. S. Morris, Esq., Receiver, at No. 1 Montgomery-street, Jersey City, on WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1873, at 11 o'clock A. M., all the outstanding claims of the Lodi Print Works, bankrupts, and of the undersigned as assignee thereof.—Dated April 8, 1873.

NATHAN HOBART,
Assignee of the Lodi Print Works.

PROPOSALS.

DEPOT OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., April 2, 1873.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, with a copy of this

NEW-YORK CITY NEWS.

THE GASMEN.

No New Developments Yesterday—Both Sides Confident of Victory.

Although the excitement created by the strike of the helpers and stokers of the New-York Gas Company on Saturday last has abated considerably, it is by no means certain that the strike will not become general within a week. With each day that passes the company become more assured in the expression of their ability to defeat the men, but the latter proclaim themselves more certain of victory now than on the first day of the strike. The officials at the New-York Company's Works reported yesterday that they were making fifty per cent. more gas than on Wednesday, and that by to-day it would not be necessary to cut off the supply during any portion of the twenty-four hours. The gas yesterday was turned on at two o'clock in the afternoon. Notwithstanding this apparently satisfactory report, it is still a fact that but two of the gasometers have yet made an appearance above the surrounding walls. The blue-coated guardians of the gas-house had a very easy time of it yesterday. Seated on chairs provided by the company they basked lazily in the sunshine, and looked like men impressed with the belief that watching the movements of a few dozen strikers on the opposite corners was not the most arduous duty in the world. No acts of violence were reported yesterday, but several arrests were made in connection with the stabbing of Adam Fuess. The wounded man could not, however, identify any of the parties arrested, and they were at once discharged. Fuess still lies at Bellevue Hospital, and, although hopes are entertained of his recovery, his condition is precarious. The leaders of the strike protest, in the most earnest manner, that none of their men were engaged in the outrages. They said that in the neighborhood of the gas-house are a good many men, liquor-dealers and others, who profess a sympathy, only recently developed, for the men on strike, and that these people have caused most of the troubles. The strikers themselves were unusually quiet yesterday. By order of the leaders they kept away from the vicinity of the gas works, and collected principally round the head-quarters in First-avenue. At the works of the Manhattan Company, in Fourteenth-street, and Eighteenth street, and at the Metropolitan Works, the Superintendents reported everything progressing as usual, nothing in the conduct of the men indicating a disposition to join the strike. Large bodies of police are still on guard at the different gas-houses. At 6 o'clock last evening a meeting of gasmen was held in West Seventeenth-street, near the works of the Manhattan Company. The meeting was held with closed doors, but judging from the cheers that issued from the hall, a good deal of enthusiasm prevailed. The President of the Gasmen's Protective Union informed a reporter yesterday that the most thorough organization to bolster effected among the gasmen in the City, and that all the trades in New-York State had proffered assistance. Already a very considerable number of men could be induced to turn out, but it was thought better to wait until a general strike could be effected.

To-night a great mass-meeting will be held at Demilt Hall.

The Masonic Fair at Apollo Hall.

The Fair at Apollo Hall in aid of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund is to terminate on Saturday evening, and the stands already begin to look bare. Large quantities of goods, useful and ornamental, have already been disposed of, but some still remain worthy of notice.

Ancient lodge still has one disposal a pair of easels on which about 65 a day have been realized weighing their patrons as ten cents each; many handsome vases, bronzes, and groups of statuary, besides a piece of music composed for the Fair, entitled "The Fair Lady's Waltz." At the Executive Committee's table ballots are now received secretly for the sword to be presented to the Eminent Commander of Knights Templar receiving the highest number of votes. The polls close at 10 P. M. this evening. Two safes and a piano, gifts to the Fair, will be raffled at this table before the close. Amity and Concord Lodges have a considerable stock of fancy articles, and Puritan Lodge has for disposal a very pretty picture of New-York Harbor. At other stands there is remaining quite a quantity of children's clothing and household articles. A Past Master's jewel is being voted for at York Lodge. The managers do not intend to have a general auction, and consequently are striving to raffle off and sell the goods. Out of consideration for the illness of the late Alderman Gilsey, whose residence was next door to the Fair, the music was stopped on Friday and Saturday evenings. Yesterday the widow of Mr. Gilsey sent a handsome donation to the Fair Committee. Although many difficulties presented themselves, a considerable sum has been realized, and this amount, it is expected, will be largely increased before 11 P. M. on Saturday night.

The Eight-Hour Movement in Brooklyn.

The carpenters and joiners of Brooklyn met last evening at Commonwealth Hall, Michael Feely presiding. A committee was appointed, who prepared a long set of resolutions, embracing the statement that the strike for eight hours' labor and $3 50 per day had been a success, but, as the result had not been fairly stated by the Press, a public meeting had been decided upon; and it was therefore resolved that great efforts would be made, and no means left untried, to make the success complete. With that end, the resolution invited all carpenters and joiners in Brooklyn to join the Carpenters' Union. The resolutions closed with thanks to those bosses who had conceded the demands of their employes. The resolutions were adopted unanimously.

The meeting was then addressed by Mr. Burke, of the Carpenters' Union, who said that the bosses cared little for the journeymen after they had got through with the job that required their services. As a journeyman he thought the bosses had the right to do their business as they pleased, and he claimed the same right to charge for his labor. The bosses claim that there is but little work to do. Then, under such circumstances, he claimed that the working men should have shorter hours. The speaker asserted that he had resolved only to work eight hours as a day's labor, and he wanted it so. The high rates offered by some bosses for their labor are, he said, merely a blind, for as soon as the Fall sets in, they will reduce the rates to the lowest figure.

Mr. C. L. Walsh, of the Bricklayers' Union, No. 1, followed with a lengthy address. Machinery, he said, is driving out manual labor, and the skilled working men to save themselves must fix the price of their labor and the hours of their work. A tradesman can fix his own prices, even for the sale of pea-nuts; but if a working man attempted to do so, then an uproar is raised.

The meeting was also addressed by P. J. Welsh, of the Plasterers' Union, to the same effect.

A committee from the Trades Unions of New-York publicly tendered to the carpenters and joiners of Brooklyn their sympathy, both morally and financially, in support of the cause of eight hours, with $3 50 per day.

Opposition to the C., C., C. and I. Railroad Lease.

There was considerable excitement in Erie and Atlantic and Great Western circles yesterday, with reference to the report from Cleveland that a large number of the stockholders of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis Railroad had resolved to resist the lease of the road to the Atlantic and Great Western Company. The stockholders whose names are connected with the opposition movement are said to be W. S. C. Otis, T. D. Crocker, Fayette Brown, Judge Caldwell, and many others of the prominent citizens of Cleveland. These stockholders claim that the $5,000,000 of new stock is not needed, and is only issued to feather the pockets of the Atlantic and Great Western Railway magnates and prop up the waning fortunes of the latter organization.

Together with this news from Cleveland, it is rumored that a new lot of bonds is about to be thrown on the London market, called "Rental Trust Bonds," and to be secured by the lease of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis Railroad to the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad. The amount is stated to be $10,000,000, but it hardly seems possible that investors can be found even among Bischoffsheim & Goldschmidt patrons to buy these (so called) securities.

The stockholders in Cleveland are indignant at the project of leasing their railroad to the Atlantic & Great Western, and say that the latter road is hopelessly insolvent. They feel certain that should the Atlantic & Great Western people obtain full control of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis Railroad it will be merely prolonging the existence of the insatiate spendthrifts and speculators who have reduced the former road to the leanest kind of a skeleton.

The Case of Carl Vogt, the Alleged Murderer of Chevalier De Bianca.

Carl Vogt, with whose name the public has become somewhat familiarized in connection with the alleged murder of the Chevalier de Bois de Bianca, at Brussels, Belgium, is again in custody by mandate of extradition under the treaty between the United States and Prussia. Vogt was originally arrested on the application of the Belgian Consul here, but it was discovered that no extradition treaty existed between Belgium and the United States Government and he was discharged. He was then arrested under the State law, making it a penal offense to bring stolen goods into the State. He was discharged from this arrest for want of evidence to prove the identity of the property in question. He was immediately rearrested in a civil suit by the heirs of the murdered man to recover the stolen property, and locked up in Ludlow-street Jail in default of $50,000 bail. Yesterday that order of arrest was discharged with the consent of plaintiffs' attorney, and Vogt was immediately taken into custody again by Deputy Marshal Barnhard, on a warrant issued by Commissioner White under a mandate of the President of the United States, upon the application of the Prussian Consul, who claims Vogt as a Prussian subject, and asks for his extradition on the ground that, by Prussian laws, a subject of that Government can be tried and punished for an offence committed by him in a foreign territory. Vogt was taken before Commissioner White yesterday, and committed for examination on Saturday next.

POLICE MATTERS.

A Mystery at Head-Quarters—Amending the Election Law—Altering Precinct Boundaries.

The officials at Police Head-quarters were greatly exercised, yesterday, over a mysterious occurrence which took place there on Wednesday evening, in relation to the transfer of two of the prominent captains in the force. It appears that a meeting of the Board of Police was held late on Wednesday afternoon, when almost all the clerks and other officials had left the building, and Capt. Charles Ulman was transferred from the Fourth to the Twenty-fifth Precinct, (Broadway Squad,) and Capt. Anthony J. Allaire from the Twenty-fifth to the Fourth Precinct. Mr. Hawley, the chief clerk, who was present at the meeting, made the action of the board known to Superintendent Kelso in the usual manner, and the Superintendent filled out the notices to the captains, and had them placed in the precinct boxes in the inspector's office, where they should have been found by the captains referred to yesterday morning, when they came to report to the office inspector. During the night these notices disappeared in some mysterious manner, and Capts. Allaire and Ulman failed to receive any information of their transfer until informed of it by the Superintendent. The mysterious disappearance of the notices created quite a discussion at the Police Central Office, and an investigation has been instituted by the board to ascertain, if possible, who stole the notices out of the boxes where they had been placed. The board yesterday revoked the transfer which had been made on the previous day, and Capts. Ulman and Allaire still retain command of their old precincts. There is no doubt that a number of transfers of captains of police are in contemplation, and will be made in a few days.

At the meeting of the Board of Police, yesterday, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this board, it is important that the boundaries of the election districts of the City should be revised annually, and so arranged as to render the polling of all the votes within the several districts practicable and convenient during the hours limited by law for keeping the polls of election open.

Resolved, That the draft of a bill for that purpose is approved, and its passage by the Legislature recommended.

The draft of the bill referred to is amendatory to that section of the present Election law, which provides that the election districts established just previous to the last election shall not be changed for five years. The amendatory act provides for a revision of the boundaries last year, on the basis of the votes polled at the last previous election, and makes the minimum number of voters in each 100, and the maximum 900. The bill will be presented to the Senate to-morrow, probably.

The board also passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the boundaries of the Twenty-second and Thirty-first Precincts shall be and are hereby so altered that the centre line of Fifty-ninth-street, from the easterly line of Eighth-avenue to the North River, shall be the division line and boundary between them.

The Superintendent was directed to publish the change in a general order to the police force. This resolution changes the division line between the two precincts referred to from Sixty-third-street to Fifty-ninth-street, thus diminishing the area of the Twenty-second Precinct and extending that of the Thirty-first Precinct.

Permission was granted to Detectives Tully and Dilks to receive £15 from the British Consul as a reward for the capture of Michael Noonan, a fugitive from Charleville, Ireland, where he was charged with forgery.

The Money Market and the Usury Laws.

There was considerable excitement down-town, yesterday, with reference to the usury cases which are being brought to the notice of the Grand Jury by certain brokers who happened to be caught on the wrong side of the fence when the lock-up movement commenced. They have been badly bitten by the quondam *Shylocks*, although they have all served an apprenticeship at the shaving trade, and should have looked out for the tricks of the trap. They want to make an example of the inhuman extortioners, and, like a schoolboy licked in a street-fight, run straight to the school-ma'am and cry for justice. It is always interesting to note that the only ones who squeal are those who haven't money on hand to lend. An old gentleman, a capitalist, said to a TIMES reporter, yesterday, "Why, this locking up money is the most scandalous thing I ever heard of; and then extorting such enormous rates of interest, it's perfectly frightful. I hope the Grand Jury will indict and imprison these usurers. There must be an example made in some way or other. This lock-up is affecting all the people up-town, as well as down here. A merchant near the New-York Hotel gave me a note for $80,000, which expired two weeks ago, and he has been unable to obtain the greenbacks for me owing to the tightness of the money market. Why, my dear friend, if I had received the money from that merchant two weeks ago, I might have lent it out at from one-half to three-quarters per cent. a day ever since." So much for the consistency of the brokers in enforcing the Usury law. Over fifty witnesses have been subpœnaed to appear before the Grand Jury on Thursday next, from down-town circles, to testify in regard to the violation of the Usury law.

A Dishonest Employe.

Mr. James P. Matthews, a Broadway diamond-broker and money-lender, had in his employ Henry Solomons, aged sixteen years, in whom he placed the utmost confidence, intrusting to him the keys of the safe in the Deposit Company, where Mr. Matthews stores his stock. A few days ago young Solomons absconded, taking with him the keys of the safe. On the safe being opened, it was found that pledged jewelry valued at $2,000 had been stolen. Two days ago Mr. Matthews received a letter from Buffalo, written by Solomons, admitting his guilt, and inclosing pawn-tickets for $800 worth of the property, which he had pawned with Mr. M. Cook, of No. 21 Amity-street. A search warrant was procured, and the property was at once surrendered to Mr. Matthews by Mr. Cook. A warrant was yesterday issued by Judge Hogan for the fugitive, who is already in the hands of the Buffalo police.

Lord & Taylor's Reception-Room for Ladies.

In Lord & Taylor's up-town establishment, some novel changes have recently been made in the dress-making department. On the fourth floor a large room, 85 by 130 feet, has been set apart for a reception-room, for the use of ladies visiting the department. The apartment is luxuriously furnished, carpeted with tapestry, the windows handsomely curtained, and the walls ornamented with pictures. There is also a piano, shelves filled with books, polite little pages in uniform; in short, everything to add to the comfort of the visitor. The reception-room is also designed for the exhibition of novelties, so that there are not only dresses of all styles and qualities for general inspection, but a display of new and unique articles just imported.

Controller's Receipts.

Controller Green reports the following amounts paid in the City Treasury yesterday from different bureaus of collection:

From taxes, Croton rent, and interest	$4,646 55
From assessments for sewer opening and improvements	40,988 73
From arrears of taxes, assessments, and Croton rent	8,082 60
From interest on above	1,028 65— 10,081 25
From market rents and fees	1,847 87
Total	$56,564 40

Anniversary of the German Peace Jubilee.

Under the auspices of the German Landwehr Verein, an anniversary celebration of the German Peace Jubilee came off at the Turn Hall last night. The evening's entertainment consisted of a concert, a banquet, and a ball. The most attractive part of the celebration was the concert, with tableaux representing allegorical scenes of the Franco-German war. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion with flags and banners, and the members of the Landwehr Verein appeared in their Prussian Garde Landwehr uniforms. Among those present were Johannes Roesing, the German Consul-General; Gen. Sigel, Col. Vilmars, of the Eleventh Regiment; Col. Spencer, and others.

A Policeman Assaulted and a Prisoner Rescued.

At a late hour last night Patrolman McCooly, of the Eighteenth Precinct, arrested a man who was acting in a disorderly manner at Twentieth-street and First-avenue. While taking him to the station-house the officer was attacked by a crowd of the prisoner's friends, and the prisoner was rescued from him. During the melée the officer was struck on the head by one of the assailants, and was severely injured. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Funeral of the Late Alderman Peter Gilsey.

The funeral of the late Alderman Peter Gilsey took place yesterday morning, from his late residence, Nos. 30 and 32 West Twenty-eighth-street. A large assemblage was in attendance, including the Mayor and members of the Common Council, heads of the departments of the City Government, and several of the Judges of the Courts, Thurlow Weed, Gen. Mott, Gen. McQuade, Chas. O'Conor, and others.

Rev. Dr. Chapin preached an affecting funeral discourse, in which he touchingly alluded to the many public and private virtues of the deceased. To the widow and afflicted sons and daughters he tendered his affectionate sympathies in their hour of trial, and bade them look to a higher being for comfort and consolation.

The body of deceased was contained in a magnificent casket, covered with black cloth and heavily mounted with silver. At the close of the services the casket containing the remains was borne to the hearse, the following gentlemen acting as pall-bearers: James W. Breslin, Dr. Wm. H. Turner, George Varian, Jacob Van Schaick, Denis Hennessy, Thos. C. Stewart, S. B. H. Vance, B. F. Beekman, M. Ruder, A. T. Stewart, Abe Heywood, and David Hatch.

The funeral cortège then proceeded along Twenty-Eighth-street to Fifth-avenue, down Fifth-avenue to Fourteenth-street, along Fourteenth-street to Broadway, and down Broadway to the ferry, and thence to Green Wood Cemetery, where the last sad rites were performed.

The Cost of a Loan in Wall-Street.

On application made by Mr. Stoughton on behalf of Tanner & Co., of this City, to Judge Barrett, in Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday, a temporary injunction was granted restraining Peter A. H. Jackson, a Wall-street operator, from selling 500 of the first mortgage bonds of the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad Company of Kansas, of the value of $1,000 each. By the complaint on which the injunction issued, it appears that on March 18, 1872, the plaintiffs obtained a loan of $100,000 from defendant, leaving as collateral 200 of the bonds in question, and paying $7,000 for the use of the money for ninety days. On the 26 of April following, plaintiffs obtained a second loan of $150,000 for ninety days, leaving as security 300 of the bonds in question, and paying a consideration for this of $15,000. At maturity both loans were extended ninety days more on payment of considerations respectively of $7,000 and $15,000. On the 26th of December, 1872, a further sum of $26,000 was paid for forbearance, and on the 10th of March a still further sum of $26,334 for the same purpose. In addition to all these payments, which were in the nature of interest, plaintiffs paid as commissions for safe keeping of the bonds the sums of $750, $990, and $1,200; also as commission for negotiating the loans the sums of $1,500 and $3,500, all of which was paid to defendant.

Notice was given to plaintiffs by defendant that unless the bonds were redeemed before 12 o'clock yesterday, by the payment of $926,634, they would be sold in open market. The injunction was asked for on the ground that the loans were grossly usurious, and that in the present state of the money market, to sell the bonds would be to sacrifice them, whereas, in a short time they will, in all probability, bring their full value.

An order was granted with the injunction, directing defendant to show cause why it should not be made perpetual, and why a receiver of the bonds should not be appointed.

Business in the Court of General Sessions.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, before Recorder Hackett, Martin O'Callahan, indicted for assaulting Peter Wansel, of Seventy-second-street and Eighth-avenue, pleaded guilty to assault and battery. Assistant District-Attorney Russell stated that he had received testimonials of the prisoner's good character from Judge Spaulding and others, and thought it was a case in which sentence should be suspended. Judgment was accordingly suspended.

John Hoehn, indicted for stealing a piece of silk valued at $40, the property of Messrs. A. E. & Charles E. Overton, No. 235 Broadway, pleaded guilty, and was sent to State Prison for three years.

George Corel, colored, indicted for stealing jewelry, clothing, and $18 in money, amounting in all to $155, the property of George E. Hawe, No. 111 East Eighteenth-street, pleaded guilty to the charge, and was sent to State Prison for three years and six months.

John McCabe, indicted for an outrage on the person of Mary Governer, pleaded guilty to assault and battery, and was sent to the Penitentiary for six months.

Thomas Rice, indicted for stabbing Ann Hogan, inflicting a serious wound on the head, pleaded guilty to assault and battery, and was sent to the Penitentiary for one year.

Phillip Knifton pleaded guilty to petit larceny, and was sent to the Penitentiary for six months.

Angelo Bruno, an Italian confectioner doing business at No. 2 Wooster-street, was placed on trial for stabbing another Italian named Dominico Lonamotti on the 20th of November, 1871, in the saloon of John Franci, No. 198 Spring-street, inflicting wounds from which the complainant was confined to bed for four weeks. After two hours' deliberation, the jury could not agree, and were discharged.

The court then adjourned until Monday morning.

Robbery and Shooting by River Pirates.

John O'Neil, alias John Ryan, and William Shipsey, two well-known Seventh Ward dock thieves, were yesterday morning arrested by Officers Cronin and Haley, of the Seventh Precinct Police Station, on a charge of having boarded the sloop John G. Ferry, at the foot of Fifty-second-street, and stolen therefrom wearing apparel, the property of the Captain, James B. Gedney.

The Captain having discovered the thieves, attempted to stop them, when two shots were discharged at him, one of the balls grazed his cheek, inflicting a slight flesh wound, and the other passed through the sleeve of Ferris Palmer, a friend of the Captain's. The pirates escaped with their booty, and soon after boarded the barge J. A. Allen, moored to the next pier. They attempted to remove a quantity of pig-iron from the deck, but were interrupted by the watchman. Again the pistol was called into play, and two shots were fired at the watchman, one of the bullets taking effect in his head, inflicting a severe scalp-wound. The thieves beat a hasty retreat, but were captured under the pier where they had secreted themselves. They were arraigned before Justice Scots at the Essex Market Police Court, and each held in bail in $5,000. The papers were sent to the Grand Jury.

Annual Report of the New-York Female Auxiliary Bible Society.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the New-York Female Auxiliary Bible Society was held yesterday in the society rooms, Astor-place. Rev. Dr. Heidich was called to the chair, and the proceedings opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Hutton. The annual report of the managers was then read, giving a cheering account of the work and progress of the society. The entire receipts of the year have been $13,550 40, of which amount $9,406 11 were from congressional collections and individual donations; $9,414 50 were appropriated to the support and work of local female missionaries; $451 14 were paid to the American Bible society for bibles, and $200 given as a donation. In future, the books required by the auxiliary society for distribution will be given them by the American Bible Society. The society yesterday elected a new Board of Managers for the ensuing year, after which addresses were delivered by Rev. N. W. Conkling, D. D., and Rev. Dr. Eddy, and the meeting closed with benediction.

Twelfth Ward Tax-Payers' Union.

A meeting of the Twelfth Ward Tax-payers' Union was held last evening, corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-second-street, E. H. Brown in the chair.

Mr. J. M. Hanners, of Chicago, submitted a plan for rapid transit and read a paper, showing the advantages of his system if placed in operation in large cities. The association referred the matter to a special committee.

Mr. Henry McGowan offered a resolution, requesting the Commissioners of Public Works to transmit to the association a statement of the improvements in progress and to be made in the Twelfth Ward, which was adopted.

Mr. Crawford submitted a resolution, indorsing the bill now pending before the Assembly at Albany in reference to the Police Justices. The resolution was adopted, after which the meeting adjourned.

Business in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday, John Smith and John Tully, who were tried last Monday for highway robbery, and convicted of assault and battery, were sentenced by Judge Brady to one year in the Penitentiary. The cases of Fitzgibbons and Schiefelin, were indicted for murder, were laid over until next Monday, to which day the court adjourned.

Accident to the Steamer State of New-York.

The steamer State of New-York broke a shaft on her upward trip to New-Haven, on Wednesday morning. She came to a standstill near Coit's Ferry. A tug-boat was sent down and towed her to the dock at the foot of State-street, New-Haven. She will be laid up for several days.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

A meeting will be held at the Produce Exchange, on Monday, by the dealers in petroleum to form rules for the government of the trade.

The pupils of Public School No. 2 assembled yesterday to receive their semi-annual certificates. Several hundred certificates were distributed.

The passenger-trains on the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad are now running regularly on time between New-York and Buffalo.

The apartments of Mrs. Green, No. 151½ Franklin-street, were entered by burglars on Wednesday night, and $27 worth of wearing apparel was stolen.

The Columbarian Society has formed a National Pigeon Society, of which Mr. William Simpson, of West Farms, was chosen President, and A. B. Estes Secretary.

Joseph Leary, residing in Brooklyn, was seriously injured, yesterday, by being caught in the machinery on board the steamer Huntsville, at Pier No. 13 North River.

Henry Johnson was committed by Justice Cox, yesterday, on a charge of attempting to take $100 from the money-drawer of Washington Hadley, of No. 169 Sixth-avenue.

The Church of St. Mary the Virgin, in West Forty-fifth-street, was entered during Wednesday night, with false keys, and robbed of everything of value that could be found.

In the case of Schoenberg *vs.* Cheney, to recover damages for breach of a theatrical contract, the facts of which appeared in yesterday's TIMES, plaintiff obtained a verdict yesterday for $937.

At the German Savings Bank, corner Fourteenth-street and Fourth-avenue, an exhibition of historical paintings was opened yesterday afternoon, the proceeds of which will go to the German Hospital.

The body of an unknown man, supposed to be a German, about fifty-five years of age, was found last evening, floating in the East River, at the foot of Ninth-street, and was sent to the Morgue for identification.

A meeting of the Consumers' Ice Company was held yesterday at the St. Nicholas Hotel, Mr. Schenck presiding. A committee was appointed, with full power to act in reference to the price of ice for the coming season.

Clark Wheeler, an old confidence man, was held for trial by Justice Cox, at Jefferson Market, yesterday on a charge of obtaining $15 from Redmond Reilley, No. 307 Madison-street, by means of fraudulent representations.

The remains of Mr. J. H. Price, one of the victims of the Atlantic disaster, arrived in this City yesterday morning. The deceased was a resident of Mount Vernon, and the remains were forwarded to that place on their arrival.

At the Polytechnic Association, this evening, Wm. H. Brown will describe the earliest trials of locomotives in America, after which Norman Ward will present a plan for conducting experiments to ascertain the cause of steam boiler explosions.

The engine-room on Randall's Island was broken into by some unknown river thieves on Wednesday night, and a copper boiler, four brass cocks, and a quantity of lead pipe, valued in all at $75, were stolen, and carried off in a small row-boat.

The bill of exceptions in the Jumel case was to have been settled yesterday, but in order to relieve Judge Shipman of the labor of reviewing the voluminous document, counsel on both sides consented to settle the form and adjourned to next Tuesday.

The Court of Appeals yesterday adjourned to the 6th of May, at Albany. During its present session in this City fifty-one cases were either argued, or submitted without argument, thirty-three of which were decided. There are 123 cases still on the calendar.

Yesterday Thomas Drew, of No. 39 Carmine-street, was arrested for having in his possession a piano which had been obtained from the maker by false representations. Drew claims to have purchased the piano. He was held in the Yorkville Police Court in default of $2,000.

In the Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, Wm. Dielman and Geo. W. Dielman were held on a charge of breaking into the store of E. Eisenmenger, of No. 1,277 Broadway, and stealing $800 worth of silk, and Martin Pfiefer, of No. 440 Ninth-avenue, was held on a charge of receiving the stolen goods.

Coroner Kessler was yesterday notified to take an ante-mortem statement in the case of Scanning Von Lengren, nineteen years old, who shot himself accidentally at Strattonport, N. J., on Tuesday, and who is now in the German Hospital, in this City. Von Lengren is a member of a patrician family of Dresden, Saxony.

The Fifteenth Assembly District Republican Association met last night at Lincoln Hall, corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-third-street, Robert S. Newton in the chair. Thirty-five new members were received, and Messrs. Hugh Turner and Thomas Stewart were appointed members of the Committee on Membership.

BROOKLYN.

The inquest in the Goodrich case will be resumed this evening.

John Van Syckel, acquitted Wednesday of the charge of poisoning his wife, has, it is said, a policy on her life for $5,000.

In the Catholic churches yesterday, the office of Tenebræ and other ceremonies were performed, and will be repeated to-day.

A slight fire occurred last evening in the show window of Ann Lawn's fancy goods store, No. 76 Myrtle-avenue, caused by the gas-light. Loss $100; insured.

A fire occurred last evening in the tool-shed of Daniel Moore, corner of Meeker and Van Cott avenues, Greenpoint, causing a damage of $50; no insurance.

In the City Court, yesterday, John W. Schaerff, an artist, recovered a verdict of $6,000 damages against the Andes Fire Insurance Company for injuries to a picture, "The Triumph of Liberty," insured by the company.

The Coroner's jury in the case of Hugh Sweeney, who died from the effects of a blow of a stone thrown by Thomas Pritchard, a person of weak intellect, yesterday, returned a verdict in accordance with the fact. Pritchard is in custody.

Yesterday afternoon Mary Heger, ten years old, attempted to kindle a fire at her home, No. 99 Walton-street, by pouring kerosene oil on the wood. The flames quickly set fire to her clothing, burning her body and legs so severely that her recovery is doubtful.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

During the gale on Wednesday night, a new frame store, owned and occupied by Mr. Hawley, dealer in grain and feed, on Third-avenue extension, near One Hundred and Thirty-eighth-street, Mott Haven, was blown down.

The grocery-store of Mr. Davidson, corner of Railroad-avenue and Morris-street, Tremont, was entered on Tuesday night by burglars, who took the safe into the yard adjoining, blew it open, and abstracted about $20 in cash and a number of valuable papers, with which they escaped.

Mr. E. Kirk, Jr., of Morrisania, whose mysterious disappearance a week ago was noticed a few days since, is still missing. He was the Treasurer of the Board of Education of Morrisania, and is said to hold about $3,000 belonging to the town; but his friends cannot believe that his indebtedness to the board has any connection with his disappearance, and entertain the worst fears in regard to his fate.

LONG ISLAND.

The Justh divorce case is on trial before Judge Spedicker at Jamaica. Mrs. Jones, the principal witness, was examined yesterday, and repeated the story already published in THE TIMES.

NEW-JERSEY.

The body of an unknown man was found in the Morris Canal, at Newark, yesterday.

John Sullivan, a boy seven years old, living in Jersey City, was yesterday playing on a pile of lumber, and in jumping down struck his hand on a large splinter, and tore two of his finger-nails entirely off.

The feed store of J. H. Burgess, No. 141 Pavonia-avenue, Jersey City, was entered by burglars yesterday morning. They blew open the safe, but becoming alarmed they fled and left the contents of the safe undisturbed.

In engrossing the Boulevard bill, establishing a public road in Hudson County, the clause permitting an appeal from the award of the commissioners was omitted. The Governor signed the bill, but on discovering the omission refused to file the act in the office of the Secretary of State, which renders the act void.

The Jersey City Board of Public Works held its first meeting yesterday, and appointed John P. Culver Chief Engineer; Benjamin Van Keuren, Street Commissioner; John Y. B. Vreeland and Hugh Keenan, Sewer Inspectors; A. P. Burt, Assistant Sewer Inspector; James Read, Clerk of the Street Department; Isaac B. Markey, Water Purveyor, and George B. Smith, Assessor of Water Rates.

Celebrating the Fifteenth Amendment in Newark.

The colored people of Newark made a grand demonstration yesterday in celebration of the passage of the Fifteenth Amendment. The parade was very general. Thomas J. Thompson acted as Grand Marshal, and Alexander Huggs, John A. Jackson, and Daniel Peck, as aids. The procession was composed of the cavalry battalion, under command of Capt. Middleton; the Sandford Guard, Capt. Brown; the Youngblood Light Artillery, Capt. Jackson; the Willard Pioneer Corps, Capt. Brown; the Sons of Morman, Capt. Haines; and Friendship Benevolent Association, President Bay. Accompanying the procession was a large car, on which were thirty-eight young women, representing the Goddess of Liberty and the States.

The Brooklyn Malpractice Case.

Mrs. Louisa Arlington, whose alleged outrageous treatment at the house and hands of Helena Kolls, a female physician, of South Brooklyn, was fully reported yesterday, lies at the Long Island College Hospital in a critical condition, although the physicians in attendance are now more hopeful of her recovery. Her statement that she was the wife of "Gen. Frederick W. Arlington," a wealthy Southern iron merchant at first gained the fullest credit, but it is now thought by the police that the "General" is a myth, and that "Mrs. Arlington" is a recently-assumed name, under which she boarded at the Grand Central Hotel for several weeks. She says that she came from Boston, and that her husband has gone South, whereas on Wednesday she asserted that she had heard from him since she had been in the hospital. Capt. Perry sent to New-York yesterday to search for the man who accompanied her in the carriage to Brooklyn, and the Brooklyn Police are in quest of the male confederate of Mrs. Kolls, who is alleged to have administered the ether. Mrs. Arlington says that "if somebody doesn't come to see her to-day (Friday) she will expose him." This is construed into a threat against some gentleman acquaintance.

Mrs. Kolls remains in Raymond-street Jail. A thorough search of her house has failed to produce any of the clothing which Mrs. Arlington claims to have lost.

Ventilation.

A meeting of the Public Health Association of New-York was held last evening at No. 126 Second-avenue, for the special purpose of listening to the reading of a paper on the subject of "Ventilation," by Carl Pfeiffer, Secretary of the American Institute of Architects. As up to nearly 10 o'clock Mr. Pfeiffer failed to arrive, Dr. Stephen Smith, the President of the association, took the chair, and remarks on the subject of ventilation were made by two or three of the gentlemen present. Dr. A. N. Bell pointed out the defects of the method of ventilation by propulsion and suction adopted in many of the dwelling-houses in the City.

Dr. Engelman, assistant chemist to the Health Department, criticised the system of ventilation in use in nearly all the public schools, shewing that the quantity of carbonic acid in the atmosphere of the public school-rooms when filled with the children, exceeds that of the lodging-cellars in the Sixth and Fourth Wards.

The Boy Survivor of the Atlantic in Wall-Street.

Tommy Henly, the only child saved from the Atlantic disaster, has been cared for by Mr. J. H. Amery, of the firm of Glendenning, Davis & Amery, stock-brokers, of Broad-street. He is a bright-looking little fellow, eleven years of age. Yesterday he was taken to Wall-street, where, in a few moments, he was surrounded by a throng of brokers, who took him in their arms and carried him to the Stock Exchange, where he became the object of universal attention. He was quite bewildered by the confusion of the room and the endearments of the demonstrative brokers. A subscription was started for him, which in a short time reached $238 50.

Another Steam-ship Accident—The Newport Breaks Her Shaft.

The steamer Newport, of the Fall River line, which left New-York on Wednesday afternoon, was disabled by the breaking of her shaft when off Sand's Point, a short distance above Hell Gate. The passengers, about 300 in number, were taken off, and proceeded on their journey by the steamer Stonington, of the Stonington line, which also towed the Newport into smooth water, at Throg's Neck, where she anchored until yesterday morning, when two tug-boats were sent to her assistance. She was then brought to her dock, at the foot of Chambers-street, late in the afternoon, when a transfer of her cargo was made. The accident to the shaft cannot be accounted for, as all her machinery was supposed to be in the most perfect order, $150,000 having been expended on the engines and vessel during the past Winter.

Entertainment to News-Boys.

A very pleasant entertainment was given last night to the homeless boys of the Rivington-street Lodging-house. The programme consisted of select readings by Miss Nettie Collins, and short addresses by Messrs. D. D. Wright, Manning, Merrill, and Dr. H. E. Crampton, of this City, and W. B. Billings, of Chicago. The reception-room of the Lodging-house was crowded with news-boys, boot-blacks, and street lads of all complexions and callings. The boys listened patiently to the addresses of the gentlemen, but the hearty cheers which followed Miss Collins' readings showed that she was the favorite of the evening. Miss Collins has a voice of great sweetness and compass, and her readings were much enjoyed by the ladies and gentlemen present, as well as the boys. Dr. Crampton presided, and Mr. C. Granger conducted the singing of the boys. The room was prettily decorated with blooming plants and bouquets of choice flowers.

CATTLE MARKETS.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 10.—Cattle—Receipts to-day, including 24 cars reported to arrive, 464 head, making the total supply for the week thus far, 7,140 head, or 420 cars, against 408 cars for the same time last week. The market is lively at last week's closing prices. Trains are running through all right, yet the regular shippers are buying but little, on account of the heavy accumulation of stock waiting for shipment. Most of the trade is confined to supplying the local trade and speculative country buyers. About 1,200 head were disposed of. Sales, 428 head Illinois Steers ranging from 1,058 to 1,400 lbs., at $5 20@5 27½; 47 head Ohio Steers, ranging from 1,176 to 1,404 lbs., at $5 75@5 90; 148 head Iowa Steers, averaging 1,238 lbs., at $5 50; 31 head Missouri Steers, ranging from 1,000 to 1,402 lbs., at $5 40@5 87½; 32 head Missouri Oxen, ranging from 1,328 to 1,434 lbs., at $4 75@5 25; 138 head Texas Steers, ranging from 1,077 to 1,374 lbs., at $5 00@5 50; 88 head Mixed Steers, averaging from 1,002 to 1,164 lbs., at $5 00@5 25; 19 head Canada Steers, averaging 1,161 lbs., at $5; 19 head Michigan Stockers, averaging 886 lbs., at $4; 64 head Canada Stockers, ranging from 845 to 945 lbs., at $3 90@4 30; Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, to-day, 200 head, making the total supply for the week, thus far, 4,200 head, against 7,400 head for the same time last week. The market is slow and weak. Drovers are holding off for sales. 547 head Michigan Sheep, ranging from 74 to 109 lbs., at $6 50@7 25. Hogs—Receipts, to-day, 4,600 head, making the total supply for the week, thus far, 18,800 head, against 19,600 head for the same time last week. Market active at 25c. @30c. ₱ cwt. decline; yards crowded with stockers and light Pigs, for which there is little demand; sales, 420 head Illinois Hogs, averaging 230 lbs., at $5 60; 127 head Illinois Hogs, averaging from 177 to 180 lbs., at $4 85; 235 head Ohio Hogs, ranging from 117 to 220 lbs., at $4@5 45.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,800 head; market fairly active; prices firm. Fair to good Steers selling freely at $4 75@5 50; choice, $5 60@6; Stockers, $3 10@4 75; common to extra butchers' stock, $3 50@4 35; shipments, 851 head. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000 head; market less active and prices easier; sales common to medium at $5@5 10; fair to choice, $5 15@5 40, clos